

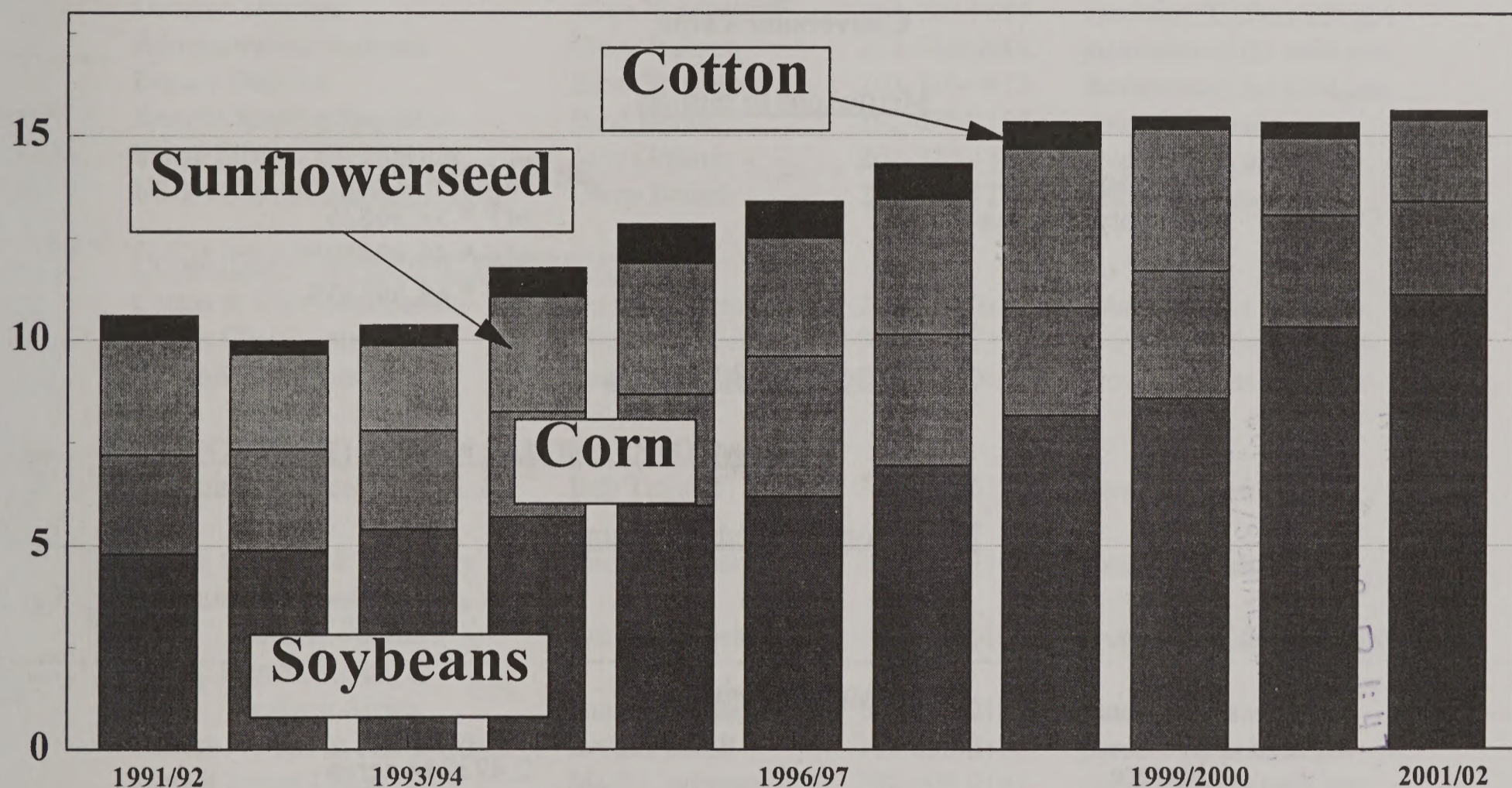
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Argentine Summer Crop Area Continues to Tilt Toward Soybeans

Million hectares



Continuing an unbroken string of 11 years of soybean area increases, in 2001/02 the usual factors pushing soybean area are being augmented by this season's climatology. Soybeans continue to be a low-cost crop to plant, especially GMO soybeans, and prospective returns to producers are higher than for alternative crops. Since June, Argentine soybean exports and, consequently, producer incomes, have been given an additional boost with the "devaluation" of soybean exports. Instead of being pegged to the U.S. dollar, prices for soybean exports are pegged to the average of the U.S. dollar and the Euro, resulting in an effective devaluation of roughly 8 percent.

This month, USDA's forecast for Argentine soybean area in 2001/02 rose 0.1 million hectares to an even higher record of 11.1 million. This month's increase is a result of farmers shifting away from corn. In October, heavy rains in central Argentina reduced planting intentions for corn and delayed planting. In November, the rains continued, but with some open days for fieldwork to progress. Soybean planting has an advantage over corn, as soybean planting can occur later in the season than the planting operation for corn.

This report uses information from the Foreign Agricultural Service's global network of agricultural attaches and counselors; official statistics of foreign governments and other foreign source materials; and the results of economic and satellite imagery analysis. Estimates of foreign area, yield and production are from the Production Estimates and Crop Assessment Division, FAS, and are reviewed by USDA's Inter-Agency Commodity Estimates Committees. Estimates of U.S. area, yield and production are from USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Numbers within the report may not add to totals because of rounding. This report reflects official USDA estimates released in the World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE-381), December 11, 2001.

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Conversion Table

Metric tons to bushels

Wheat, soybeans	=	MT * 36.7437
Corn, sorghum, rye	=	MT * 39.36825
Barley	=	MT * 45.929625
Oats	=	MT * 68.894438

Metric tons to 480-lb bales

Cotton	=	MT * 4.592917
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Metric tons to hundredweight

Rice	=	MT * 22.04622
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Area & Weight

1 hectare	=	2.471044 acres
1kilogram	=	2.204622 pounds

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PRODUCTION BRIEFS

Argentina: Corn Production to Decrease Due to Lower Area and Yield

Argentine corn production in 2001/02 is forecast at 12.5 million tons, down 1.5 million or 11 percent from last month and down 19 percent from last season. Harvested area is forecast at 2.3 million hectares, down 0.15 million from last month and down 16 percent from last season. Yield is forecast slightly above average at 5.43 tons/hectare. In October, heavy rains in central Argentina delayed corn planting in key corn-growing areas. More than 12 inches (300 mm) of rain fell on central Argentina's main growing area since September 15, resulting in localized flooding and saturated soils. In November, the rains continued with some open days for fieldwork to progress. Corn planting is estimated at 72 percent complete as of November 30, the slowest pace in the last five years according to the Argentine Ministry of Agriculture (SAGPyA). Planting began in late September and the majority of corn is planted in late October and early November, and is complete by the middle of December.

Zimbabwe: Corn Production Expected to Decline

Zimbabwe corn production for 2001/02 is estimated at 1.3 million tons, down 0.3 million or 19 percent from last month and down 9 percent from last year's poor crop. Planted area is estimated at 1.2 million hectares, down 2 percent from last year. The reduction occurred in the large-scale commercial farm sector, which accounts for about 6 percent of total planted area, but 25 to 30 percent of total production. Economic and political instability has prevented many large-scale farmers from planting 2001/02 summer crops, including corn and tobacco. In the small-scale farming sector, planted area for 2001/02 is expected to be similar to last year, but yields could decline because producers may be unable to afford fertilizer, which has more than doubled in price since last year. Planting for the 2001/02 crop started last month and should be complete by the end of December. Although the summer rainy season was delayed by 2 to 4 weeks, normal to above-normal rainfall in November has created favorable moisture conditions for planting and germination. Harvesting will take place in May/June 2002.

Canada: Wheat Production Lowest Since 1988

Canadian wheat production for 2001/02 is estimated at 21.3 million tons, up 0.6 million or 3 percent from last month, but down 5.5 million or 21 percent from last year. Wheat area, at 11.0 million hectares, is unchanged from last month and up slightly from last year. The decline in production was caused by low spring and durum wheat yields in Western Canada, resulting from extremely dry growing conditions. The spring wheat yield of 2.0 tons per hectare and the durum yield of 1.5 tons were well below the five-year averages of 2.35 and 2.15 tons per hectare for spring and durum wheat, respectively. Overall, wheat yield was 1.94 tons per hectare compared to 2.37 tons for the five-year average. Wheat production in 2001/02 was the lowest since 15.9 million tons in 1988/89.

Russia: Preliminary Harvest Data Indicate Bumper Wheat Crop

Russian wheat production for 2001/02 is estimated at 45.5 million tons, up 1.0 million or 2 percent from last month and up 11.1 million or 32 percent from last year. Estimated yield and production are the highest in almost ten years. Barley production is estimated at 19.5 million tons, unchanged from last month, but up 5.4 million or 38 percent from last year. Rye production is estimated at 7.0 million tons, up 0.5 million or 8 percent from last month and up 1.6 million or 28 percent from last year. Oat production is estimated at 7.0 million tons, unchanged from last month, but up 1.0 million or 17 percent from last year. Corn production is estimated at 0.8 million tons, unchanged from last month, but down 0.8 million or 48 percent from last year. According to harvest results released by the Ministry of Agriculture, Russian farms harvested more than 91 million tons of grain this year (bunker weight, prior to cleaning and drying), and total net output is forecast to surpass 83 million. The 2001/02 grain crop benefited from generally favorable weather in almost all growing regions, although corn output was negatively affected by excessive summer heat.

India: Corn Output Estimate to Fall

The 2001/02 corn crop is forecast at 11.3 million tons, down 0.7 million or 6 percent from last month and down 0.5 million or 5 percent from last year. The area is forecast at 6.4 million hectares, down 0.2 million from last month and down 0.15 million or 2 percent from last year. The current forecast represents the combined production from the Rabi and Kharif seasons. The U.S. agricultural attache completed field travel and reported lower production in the major producing states of Kanataka and Andhra Pradesh. Adverse weather is responsible for this season's decline. India's poultry industry is the largest user of corn. The industry may be negatively affected by higher corn prices caused by the short fall of corn and low poultry prices due to over production.

Pakistan: Rice Output Forecast to Fall

The 2001/02 rice crop is estimated at 4.1 million tons on a milled basis. This is down 0.4 million tons from last month and down 0.6 million or 13 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 2.0 million hectares, down 0.25 million or 11 percent from last month and down 0.35 million hectares or 15 percent from last year. The decline in production is mostly a result of water availability problems at planting time. Early-season irrigation problems and better returns from competing crops, primary cotton, reduced the Punjab planted area this season. Farmers in the Sindh are reported to have also planted less rice due to the lack of early-season irrigation supplies and prospects of better returns from sugarcane.

Argentina: Soybean Area to Increase as Corn Area Declines

Argentine soybean area in 2001/02 is forecast at a record 11.1 million hectares, up 0.1 million from last month and up 8 percent from last year's area of 10.3 million hectares. Soybean production is forecast at 28.8 million tons, up 0.75 million or 3 percent from last month, and up 6 percent from last season's revised estimate of 27.2 million. Soybean area is expected to increase by 0.1 million hectares as farmers shift away from corn. In October, heavy rains in central Argentina reduced planting

intentions for corn and delayed planting. More than 12 inches (300 mm) of rain fell on central Argentina's main growing area since September 15, 2001, resulting in localized flooding and saturated soils. The soils in central Argentina were saturated due to the rains and needed time to dry before planting could occur. In November, the rains continued with some open days for fieldwork to progress. Soybean planting has two advantages over corn planting: planting occurs later in the season than corn planting, and no-till planting can occur on wetter soils. Soybean planting is 48 percent complete as of November 30.

Pakistan: Cotton Forecast Declines

The 2001/02 cotton crop is estimated at 8.0 million bales, down 0.3 million or 4 percent from last month and down 0.2 million or 2 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 3.1 million hectares, down slightly from last month, but up 0.2 million hectares or 7 percent from last year. Pakistan cotton production will be reduced this season due to late season pest attacks. Pressure from bollworms in central and eastern Punjab between mid-September and mid-October will result in yield declines resulting in lower production than earlier estimated.

India: Cotton Forecast Decreased

The 2001/02 cotton crop is forecast at 11.8 million bales, down 0.4 million or 3 percent from last month, but up 0.9 million or 8 percent from last year. The area is forecast at 8.7 million hectares, unchanged from last month but up 0.6 million or 8 percent from last year. The production estimate has been lowered to 11.8 million bales due to heavy pest damage in Haryana and Gujarat. Above-normal temperatures and a lack of ground moisture are also cited as reasons for the decline in the central states of Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh. The southern crop grown in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu is progressing well. Light December rains could improve prospects for late picking in the rainfed cotton areas of central and southern India.

TABLE 1
U.S. Crop Acreage, Yield, and Production

COMMODITY	Planted Area		Harvested Area		Yield			Production		
	1999/00	Prel. 2000/01	Proj. 2001/02	1999/00	Prel. 2000/01	Proj. 2001/02	1999/00	Prel. 2000/01	Nov. 2001/02	Dec. Proj.
All Wheat Winter Other	--Million acres--			--Million acres--			--Bushels per acre--			--Million bushels--
	62.7	62.6	59.6	53.8	53.1	48.7	42.7	42.0	40.2	
	46.4	43.4	41.1	40.1	35.1	31.3	46.9	44.7	43.5	
Soybeans	16.3	19.2	18.5	13.7	17.6	17.4	30.5	37.8	34.3	--Million bushels--
Corn Sorghum Barley Oats	73.7	74.3	75.2	72.4	72.4	74.1	36.6	38.1	39.4	--Million bushels--
Rice	77.4	79.5	76.0	70.5	72.7	69.2	133.8	137.1	138.0	--Million CWT--
	9.3	9.2	10.0	8.5	7.7	8.8	69.7	60.9	61.2	
	5.2	5.9	5.0	4.7	5.2	4.3	59.2	61.1	58.2	
All Cotton	4.7	4.5	4.4	2.5	2.3	1.9	59.6	64.2	61.3	--Million 480-pound bales--
Rice	--Pounds per acre--			--Pounds per acre--			--Pounds per acre--			--Million CWT--
	3.5	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.0	3.3	5,866	6,281	6,374	
All Cotton	14.9	15.5	16.2	13.4	13.1	13.9	607	632	685	--Million 480-pound bales--

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TABLE 2
World Crop Production Summary

Commodity	World	Total Foreign	North America			Europe		FSU-12	Asia				South America		Selected Other			All Others	
			United States	Canada	Mexico	Europe Union	Oth. Europe		China	India	Indonesia	Pakistan	Thailand	Argentina	Brazil	Australia	South Africa		Turkey
---Million metric tons---																			
Wheat																			
1999/00	585.9	523.4	62.6	26.9	3.1	96.8	0.9	28.2	64.7	113.9	70.8	0.0	17.9	0.0	15.7	2.4	24.8	1.7	16.5
2000/01 prel.	582.3	521.6	60.8	26.8	3.3	105.3	0.9	28.3	62.8	99.6	75.8	0.0	21.1	0.0	16.5	1.7	23.8	2.3	17.5
2001/02 proj.																			
Nov.	575.1	521.8	53.3	20.7	3.0	91.8	0.9	36.0	88.5	94.0	68.5	0.0	19.0	0.0	17.0	3.0	22.0	2.3	15.0
Dec.	577.0	523.7	53.3	21.3	3.0	91.9	0.9	36.0	89.9	94.0	68.5	0.0	19.0	0.0	17.0	3.0	22.0	2.4	15.0
Coarse Grains																			
1999/00	876.5	613.4	263.2	26.8	26.2	103.0	1.7	54.6	40.5	137.2	30.5	6.2	1.8	4.1	21.5	32.6	8.7	11.1	9.2
2000/01 prel.	856.9	582.4	274.5	24.3	24.0	107.5	1.7	36.2	49.4	114.0	29.2	5.5	1.8	4.9	19.5	42.1	10.8	7.8	10.1
2001/02 proj.																			
Nov.	872.5	609.1	263.4	22.0	25.8	106.2	1.7	51.9	60.3	116.2	30.0	6.0	1.8	4.6	18.0	37.1	10.8	9.4	9.2
Dec.	873.2	609.8	263.4	22.9	25.8	106.6	1.7	52.1	61.5	116.2	29.3	6.0	1.8	4.6	16.5	37.1	11.1	9.4	9.2
Rice (Milled)																			
1999/00	408.4	401.9	6.5	0.0	0.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.9	138.9	89.5	33.4	5.2	16.5	0.6	7.8	0.8	0.0	0.2
2000/01 prel.	396.9	391.0	5.9	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.7	131.5	86.3	32.0	4.7	16.8	0.5	7.1	1.3	0.0	0.2
2001/02 proj.																			
Nov.	393.3	386.8	6.6	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.6	126.7	89.0	32.5	4.5	16.8	0.5	7.4	1.1	0.0	0.2
Dec.	392.8	386.3	6.6	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.6	126.7	89.0	32.5	4.1	16.8	0.5	7.4	1.0	0.0	0.2
Total Grains 1/																			
1999/00	1,870.9	1,538.6	332.2	53.7	29.5	201.5	2.6	82.8	106.1	390.0	190.7	39.6	24.8	20.6	37.8	42.7	34.2	12.8	25.9
2000/01 prel.	1,836.1	1,494.9	341.2	51.1	27.6	214.4	2.6	64.6	112.9	345.1	191.3	37.5	27.6	21.7	36.5	50.8	35.9	10.2	27.8
2001/02 proj.																			
Nov.	1,840.9	1,517.7	323.2	42.7	29.1	199.6	2.6	87.9	149.4	336.9	187.5	38.5	25.3	21.4	35.5	47.5	33.9	11.7	24.4
Dec.	1,843.0	1,519.8	323.2	44.2	29.1	200.1	2.6	88.1	152.0	336.9	186.8	38.5	24.9	21.4	34.0	47.5	34.1	11.8	24.4
Oilseeds 2/																			
1999/00	303.3	221.0	82.3	11.7	0.5	16.7	0.1	6.5	11.0	45.8	22.3	2.3	4.4	0.5	27.8	35.6	3.8	0.9	2.2
2000/01 prel.	311.7	226.8	84.9	9.9	0.4	14.2	0.1	4.7	11.4	50.6	20.7	2.1	4.0	0.5	30.9	40.6	3.2	1.2	1.9
2001/02 proj.																			
Nov.	322.8	231.9	90.9	7.0	0.4	14.0	0.1	5.2	9.2	52.6	24.6	2.2	3.9	0.5	32.0	43.1	2.9	1.2	1.9
Dec.	323.0	232.1	90.9	6.7	0.4	14.0	0.1	5.2	9.1	52.6	24.4	2.2	3.9	0.5	32.7	43.1	2.9	1.2	1.9
Cotton																			
1999/00	87.3	70.4	17.0	0.0	0.7	2.6	0.0	0.0	7.3	17.6	12.2	0.0	8.6	0.0	0.6	3.1	3.5	0.1	3.6
2000/01 prel.	88.5	71.3	17.2	0.0	0.4	2.5	0.0	0.0	6.4	20.3	10.9	0.0	8.2	0.0	0.7	4.1	3.7	0.2	3.6
2001/02 proj.																			
Nov.	96.9	76.7	20.2	0.0	0.4	2.4	0.0	0.0	7.0	23.5	12.2	0.0	8.3	0.0	0.6	3.3	3.1	0.1	4.1
Dec.	96.0	75.9	20.1	0.0	0.4	2.4	0.0	0.0	7.2	23.5	11.8	0.0	8.0	0.0	0.5	3.3	3.0	0.1	4.1

---Million 480 pound bales---

1/ Includes wheat, coarse grains, and rice (milled) shown above.

2/ Includes soybean, cottonseed, peanut (inshell), sunflowerseed, rapeseed for individual countries. Copra and palm kernel are added to world totals.

Note: Entries of 0.0 indicate no reported or insignificant production.

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TABLE 3
Wheat Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	216.63	218.83	214.65	214.78	2.70	2.66	2.68	2.69	585.93	582.35	575.08	577.02	1.94	0.34	-5.32	-0.91
United States	21.78	21.50	19.69	19.69	2.87	2.83	2.71	2.71	62.57	60.76	53.28	53.28	0.00	0.00	-7.48	-12.31
Total Foreign	194.84	197.33	194.97	195.09	2.69	2.64	2.68	2.68	523.36	521.59	521.81	523.74	1.94	0.37	2.16	0.41
Major Exporters	45.78	48.25	46.35	46.37	3.59	3.57	3.27	3.28	164.13	172.38	151.51	152.21	0.70	0.46	-20.18	-11.70
European Union	17.09	17.89	16.65	16.67	5.66	5.89	5.51	5.51	96.77	105.31	91.81	91.91	0.10	0.11	-13.41	-12.73
France	5.11	5.20	4.83	4.83	7.24	7.22	6.63	6.63	37.00	37.53	32.00	32.00	0.00	0.00	-5.53	-14.72
United Kingdom	1.85	2.09	1.66	1.66	8.05	8.01	7.22	7.22	14.87	16.70	12.00	12.00	0.00	0.00	-4.70	-28.14
Germany	2.60	2.97	2.90	2.90	7.54	7.28	7.86	7.86	19.62	21.62	22.80	22.80	0.00	0.00	1.18	5.45
Canada	10.37	10.96	11.00	11.00	2.59	2.45	1.88	1.94	26.90	26.80	20.70	21.30	0.60	2.90	-5.50	-20.53
Australia	12.17	13.00	12.00	12.00	2.03	1.83	1.83	1.83	24.76	23.77	22.00	22.00	0.00	0.00	-1.77	-7.43
Argentina	6.15	6.39	6.70	6.70	2.55	2.58	2.54	2.54	15.70	16.50	17.00	17.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	3.03
Major Importers	90.40	90.59	92.48	92.59	2.52	2.31	2.60	2.61	227.51	209.36	240.33	241.51	1.18	0.49	32.14	15.35
China	28.86	26.65	25.20	25.20	3.95	3.74	3.73	3.73	113.88	99.64	94.00	94.00	0.00	0.00	-5.64	-5.66
FSU-12	41.81	43.03	45.61	45.62	1.55	1.46	1.94	1.97	64.75	62.82	88.48	89.86	1.38	1.56	27.04	43.04
Russia	23.00	23.20	23.80	23.80	1.35	1.48	1.87	1.91	31.00	34.45	44.50	45.50	1.00	2.25	11.05	32.08
Ukraine	5.93	5.16	7.10	7.10	2.29	1.98	2.96	2.96	13.59	10.20	21.00	21.00	0.00	0.00	10.80	105.94
Kazakhstan	8.73	10.50	10.40	10.40	1.28	0.87	1.25	1.25	11.20	9.10	13.00	13.00	0.00	0.00	3.90	42.86
Baltic States	0.54	0.55	0.56	0.56	2.34	2.71	2.39	2.39	1.28	1.50	1.33	1.33	0.00	0.00	-0.18	-11.73
Eastern Europe	8.22	8.95	9.90	9.90	3.43	3.16	3.63	3.63	28.20	28.30	35.96	35.96	0.00	0.00	7.67	27.09
Poland	2.58	2.64	2.65	2.65	3.50	3.23	3.55	3.55	9.05	8.50	9.40	9.40	0.00	0.00	0.90	10.59
Iran	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.42	1.25	1.33	1.25	8.50	7.50	8.00	7.50	-0.50	-6.25	0.00	0.00
Egypt	1.04	1.03	1.03	1.03	6.14	6.35	6.38	6.38	6.35	6.56	6.56	6.56	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.06
Morocco	2.69	2.90	2.60	2.70	0.80	0.48	1.15	1.22	2.15	1.38	3.00	3.30	0.30	10.00	1.92	138.96
Brazil	1.25	1.47	1.59	1.59	1.92	1.13	1.89	1.89	2.40	1.66	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	1.34	80.72
Other Foreign	58.66	58.50	56.13	56.14	2.25	2.39	2.32	2.32	131.73	139.84	129.97	130.03	0.06	0.05	-9.81	-7.02
India	27.40	27.43	25.00	25.00	2.58	2.76	2.74	2.74	70.78	75.75	68.50	68.50	0.00	0.00	-7.25	-9.58
Turkey	8.65	8.70	8.60	8.60	1.91	2.01	1.74	1.74	16.50	17.50	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	-2.50	-14.29
Pakistan	8.23	8.46	8.30	8.30	2.17	2.49	2.29	2.29	17.85	21.08	19.00	19.00	0.00	0.00	-2.08	-9.86
Mexico	0.64	0.68	0.65	0.65	4.77	4.85	4.62	4.62	3.05	3.30	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	-0.30	-9.09
Saudi Arabia	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Africa	0.72	0.93	0.96	0.96	2.40	2.51	2.42	2.50	1.73	2.35	2.32	2.40	0.08	3.63	0.05	2.17
Others	12.62	11.89	12.23	12.23	1.59	1.52	1.66	1.66	20.02	18.06	20.36	20.33	-0.02	-0.12	2.27	12.57

TABLE 4
Total Coarse Grain Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	300.70	296.37	299.82	299.66	2.92	2.89	2.91	2.91	876.54	856.86	872.48	873.18	0.69	0.08	16.31	1.90
United States	35.05	35.73	34.16	34.16	7.51	7.68	7.71	7.71	263.17	274.47	263.41	263.41	0.00	0.00	-11.06	-4.03
Total Foreign	265.65	260.64	265.66	265.50	2.31	2.23	2.29	2.30	613.37	582.39	609.07	609.77	0.69	0.11	27.38	4.70
Major Exporters																
Canada	49.55	47.03	47.69	47.54	4.14	3.75	3.70	3.70	205.25	176.50	176.40	176.11	-0.29	-0.17	-0.39	-0.22
Argentina	6.93	7.12	7.16	7.10	3.87	3.42	3.08	3.23	26.83	24.33	22.04	22.94	0.90	4.08	-1.39	-5.72
Australia	4.32	3.94	3.64	3.49	4.96	4.96	4.96	4.74	21.46	19.53	18.01	16.51	-1.50	-8.33	-3.01	-15.43
South Africa	3.93	5.34	5.37	5.44	2.21	2.03	2.01	2.04	8.69	10.85	10.79	11.09	0.31	2.83	0.24	2.25
China	4.78	4.11	4.39	4.39	2.31	1.91	2.14	2.14	11.05	7.85	9.41	9.41	0.00	0.00	1.56	19.91
	29.58	26.53	27.13	27.13	4.64	4.30	4.28	4.28	137.22	113.95	116.16	116.16	0.00	0.00	2.21	1.94
Major Importers																
FSU-12	77.75	76.76	79.39	79.57	2.93	2.88	3.12	3.14	227.76	220.70	247.83	249.67	1.84	0.74	28.97	13.13
Russia	31.82	31.26	32.89	33.07	1.27	1.58	1.83	1.86	40.46	49.41	60.26	61.47	1.22	2.02	12.06	24.40
Ukraine	20.90	19.60	20.60	20.60	1.04	1.44	1.67	1.70	21.80	28.20	34.50	35.00	0.50	1.45	6.80	24.11
Kazakstan	5.84	6.45	6.95	7.10	1.81	2.01	2.39	2.37	10.59	12.99	16.60	16.80	0.20	1.20	3.81	29.30
Baltic States	2.03	1.97	2.05	2.05	1.34	1.05	1.32	1.32	2.72	2.08	2.70	2.70	0.00	0.00	0.63	30.12
European Union	1.13	1.15	1.14	1.14	1.64	1.63	1.78	1.78	1.86	1.86	2.02	2.02	0.00	0.00	0.16	8.37
Germany	19.03	19.31	19.31	19.32	5.41	5.57	5.50	5.52	103.01	107.51	106.16	106.59	0.42	0.40	-0.92	-0.85
France	4.03	4.05	4.09	4.09	6.16	5.84	6.49	6.49	24.84	23.65	26.50	26.50	0.00	0.00	2.85	12.05
Eastern Europe	3.74	3.85	3.98	3.98	7.33	7.45	7.18	7.18	27.43	28.67	28.53	28.53	0.00	0.00	-0.14	-0.49
Poland	15.85	15.00	15.70	15.70	3.44	2.42	3.31	3.32	54.55	36.22	51.90	52.10	0.20	0.39	15.88	43.83
Romania	6.12	6.18	6.09	6.09	2.73	2.24	2.67	2.67	16.70	13.84	16.26	16.26	0.00	0.00	2.42	17.48
Czech Rep.	3.83	3.30	3.75	3.75	3.12	1.71	2.75	2.75	11.95	5.66	10.31	10.31	0.00	0.00	4.65	82.23
Mexico	0.69	0.63	0.65	0.65	4.01	3.50	4.14	4.14	2.77	2.22	2.67	2.67	0.00	0.00	0.45	20.41
Other W. Europe	9.54	9.69	9.98	9.98	2.74	2.48	2.59	2.59	26.18	24.00	25.80	25.80	0.00	0.00	1.80	7.50
	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	4.58	4.58	4.58	4.58	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Foreign																
Thailand	138.36	136.85	138.58	138.38	1.30	1.35	1.33	1.33	180.36	185.20	184.84	183.99	-0.85	-0.46	-1.20	-0.65
India	1.31	1.37	1.34	1.34	3.13	3.58	3.43	3.43	4.10	4.90	4.60	4.60	0.00	0.00	-0.30	-6.12
Brazil	29.52	28.26	29.05	28.85	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.02	30.48	29.21	30.00	29.30	-0.70	-2.33	0.09	0.31
Turkey	13.05	14.66	13.46	13.46	2.49	2.87	2.76	2.76	32.55	42.10	37.10	37.10	0.00	0.00	-5.00	-11.88
Indonesia	4.50	4.58	4.58	4.58	2.05	2.21	2.01	2.01	9.22	10.12	9.22	9.22	0.00	0.00	-0.90	-8.90
Philippines	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.07	1.83	2.00	2.00	6.20	5.50	6.00	6.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	9.09
Others	2.55	2.48	2.55	2.55	1.75	1.81	1.77	1.77	4.45	4.51	4.53	4.53	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.38
	84.43	82.50	84.61	84.61	1.11	1.08	1.10	1.10	93.36	88.86	93.40	93.25	-0.15	-0.16	4.39	4.94

TABLE 5
Corn Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	139.02	137.17	136.77	136.54	4.37	4.28	4.29	4.29	606.98	586.57	586.77	586.06	-0.72	-0.12	-0.51	-0.09
United States	28.53	29.43	28.00	28.00	8.40	8.60	8.66	8.66	239.55	253.21	242.47	242.47	0.00	0.00	-10.74	-4.24
Total Foreign	110.49	107.74	108.77	108.54	3.33	3.09	3.17	3.17	367.43	333.36	344.31	343.59	-0.72	-0.21	10.23	3.07
Major Exporters	32.82	29.07	29.45	29.30	4.75	4.44	4.45	4.42	155.85	129.00	131.00	129.50	-1.50	-1.15	0.50	0.39
Argentina	3.10	2.75	2.45	2.30	5.55	5.65	5.71	5.43	17.20	15.50	14.00	12.50	-1.50	-10.71	-3.00	-19.35
South Africa	3.81	3.23	3.50	3.50	2.77	2.33	2.57	2.57	10.56	7.50	9.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	20.00
China	25.90	23.10	23.50	23.50	4.94	4.59	4.60	4.60	128.09	106.00	108.00	108.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	1.89
Major Importers	20.57	21.10	21.62	21.81	4.49	3.83	4.24	4.25	92.42	80.79	91.68	92.66	0.98	1.07	11.87	14.69
Eastern Europe	6.88	6.39	6.98	6.98	4.45	2.68	4.03	4.05	30.61	17.11	28.08	28.28	0.20	0.71	11.17	65.27
Romania	3.00	2.70	3.00	3.00	3.50	1.67	2.80	2.80	10.50	4.50	8.40	8.40	0.00	0.00	3.90	86.67
Serbia	1.27	1.21	1.30	1.30	4.85	2.44	4.77	4.77	6.14	2.94	6.20	6.20	0.00	0.00	3.26	110.60
European Union	4.12	4.22	4.34	4.37	9.02	9.07	8.81	8.88	37.17	38.29	38.26	38.76	0.50	1.31	0.47	1.22
France	1.76	1.83	1.85	1.85	8.89	8.98	8.92	8.92	15.64	16.47	16.50	16.50	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.18
Italy	1.03	1.06	1.11	1.11	9.74	9.53	8.98	8.98	10.02	10.14	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	-0.14	-1.35
Mexico	7.26	7.51	7.70	7.70	2.65	2.36	2.47	2.47	19.24	17.70	19.00	19.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	7.34
FSU-12	2.26	2.92	2.55	2.71	2.24	2.52	2.36	2.32	5.08	7.36	6.02	6.30	0.28	4.66	-1.07	-14.50
Russia	0.70	0.80	0.70	0.70	1.57	1.94	1.14	1.14	1.10	1.55	0.80	0.80	0.00	0.00	-0.75	-48.39
Ukraine	0.69	1.28	1.00	1.15	2.52	3.01	3.20	2.96	1.74	3.85	3.20	3.40	0.20	6.25	-0.45	-11.64
Other W. Europe	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	4.00	4.04	4.04	4.04	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Foreign	57.10	57.57	57.70	57.43	2.09	2.15	2.11	2.11	119.16	123.57	121.63	121.43	-0.20	-0.16	-2.14	-1.73
Thailand	1.15	1.21	1.18	1.18	3.39	3.88	3.73	3.73	3.90	4.70	4.40	4.40	0.00	0.00	-0.30	-6.38
Brazil	12.49	14.00	12.80	12.80	2.53	2.93	2.81	2.81	31.64	41.00	36.00	36.00	0.00	0.00	-5.00	-12.20
India	6.43	6.55	6.60	6.40	1.78	1.81	1.82	1.77	11.47	11.84	12.00	11.30	-0.70	-5.83	-0.54	-4.56
Canada	1.14	1.03	1.21	1.23	8.03	6.63	6.20	6.67	9.16	6.83	7.50	8.20	0.70	9.33	1.37	20.11
Indonesia	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.07	1.83	2.00	2.00	6.20	5.50	6.00	6.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	9.09
Philippines	2.55	2.48	2.55	2.55	1.75	1.81	1.77	1.77	4.45	4.51	4.53	4.53	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.38
Egypt	0.73	0.71	0.72	0.72	7.78	8.01	7.92	7.92	5.68	5.65	5.70	5.70	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.88
Zimbabwe	1.42	1.22	1.30	1.20	1.52	1.17	1.23	1.08	2.15	1.43	1.60	1.30	-0.30	-18.75	-0.13	-8.90
Others	28.20	27.37	28.34	28.35	1.58	1.54	1.55	1.55	44.51	42.12	43.90	44.01	0.10	0.24	1.89	4.48

TABLE 6
Barley Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	55.27	55.08	57.20	57.27	2.31	2.43	2.47	2.48	127.94	134.01	141.26	141.89	0.64	0.45	7.88	5.88
United States	1.92	2.11	1.74	1.74	3.19	3.29	3.13	3.13	6.10	6.94	5.43	5.43	0.00	0.00	-1.51	-21.69
Total Foreign	53.35	52.97	55.46	55.53	2.28	2.40	2.45	2.46	121.83	127.07	135.82	136.46	0.64	0.47	9.39	7.39
European Union	10.85	10.74	10.69	10.67	4.51	4.76	4.56	4.56	48.90	51.16	48.78	48.68	-0.10	-0.21	-2.49	-4.86
Denmark	0.73	0.74	0.76	0.74	5.05	5.37	5.39	5.41	3.68	3.98	4.10	4.00	-0.10	-2.44	0.02	0.50
France	1.53	1.57	1.70	1.70	6.22	6.31	5.82	5.82	9.54	9.93	9.90	9.90	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-0.25
Germany	2.21	2.07	2.10	2.10	6.02	5.85	6.43	6.43	13.30	12.11	13.50	13.50	0.00	0.00	1.39	11.51
Italy	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.34	3.72	3.67	3.49	3.49	1.31	1.26	1.19	1.19	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-5.71
Spain	3.11	3.22	2.90	2.90	2.39	3.27	2.24	2.24	7.43	10.50	6.50	6.50	0.00	0.00	-4.00	-38.10
United Kingdom	1.18	1.13	1.26	1.26	5.59	5.75	5.49	5.49	6.58	6.49	6.90	6.90	0.00	0.00	0.41	6.32
FSU-12	16.32	15.88	17.41	17.42	1.30	1.58	1.98	1.99	21.27	25.08	34.42	34.70	0.28	0.83	9.62	38.34
Russia	9.85	9.20	10.20	10.20	1.08	1.53	1.91	1.91	10.60	14.10	19.50	19.50	0.00	0.00	5.40	38.30
Ukraine	3.48	3.69	4.10	4.10	1.85	1.86	2.44	2.44	6.43	6.87	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	3.13	45.52
Kazakhstan	1.70	1.63	1.70	1.70	1.32	1.03	1.35	1.35	2.25	1.68	2.30	2.30	0.00	0.00	0.63	37.31
Baltic States	0.74	0.74	0.73	0.73	1.70	1.63	1.88	1.88	1.25	1.20	1.37	1.37	0.00	0.00	0.17	14.17
Eastern Europe	3.29	2.98	3.19	3.19	2.95	2.58	3.20	3.20	9.69	7.68	10.23	10.23	0.00	0.00	2.55	33.15
Poland	1.11	1.10	1.10	1.10	3.07	2.54	3.00	3.00	3.40	2.78	3.30	3.30	0.00	0.00	0.52	18.58
Czech Rep.	0.54	0.50	0.50	0.50	3.94	3.29	4.04	4.04	2.14	1.63	2.02	2.02	0.00	0.00	0.39	23.88
Romania	0.55	0.35	0.50	0.50	1.85	2.14	3.00	3.00	1.02	0.75	1.50	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.75	100.00
Canada	4.07	4.55	4.38	4.35	3.24	2.96	2.54	2.62	13.20	13.47	11.10	11.40	0.30	2.70	-2.07	-15.35
Other W. Europe	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.19	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Norway	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	3.53	3.53	3.53	3.53	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Turkey	3.55	3.60	3.60	3.60	1.86	2.06	1.81	1.81	6.60	7.40	6.50	6.50	0.00	0.00	-0.90	-12.16
Australia	2.60	3.68	3.70	3.70	1.94	1.96	1.89	1.89	5.03	7.20	7.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	-0.20	-2.72
China	0.87	0.79	0.80	0.80	3.42	3.35	3.16	3.16	2.97	2.65	2.53	2.53	0.00	0.00	-0.12	-4.35
Morocco	2.07	2.25	2.00	2.10	0.71	0.21	0.50	0.55	1.47	0.47	1.00	1.15	0.15	15.00	0.68	146.25
India	0.78	0.73	0.75	0.75	1.88	2.01	2.00	2.00	1.47	1.46	1.50	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.04	2.74
Others	8.00	6.81	7.99	7.99	1.13	1.23	1.31	1.31	9.03	8.37	10.46	10.46	0.00	0.00	2.10	25.05

TABLE 7
Oats Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	14.86	13.81	14.21	14.16	1.62	1.86	1.85	1.86	24.00	25.69	26.29	26.30	0.01	0.04	0.60	2.35
United States	0.99	0.94	0.77	0.77	2.14	2.30	2.20	2.20	2.12	2.17	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.00	-0.48	-21.88
Total Foreign	13.87	12.87	13.44	13.39	1.58	1.83	1.83	1.84	21.88	23.52	24.59	24.60	0.01	0.04	1.08	4.58
FSU-12	6.32	5.39	5.91	5.91	0.91	1.39	1.48	1.49	5.74	7.50	8.75	8.80	0.05	0.57	1.30	17.32
Russia	5.35	4.50	4.90	4.90	0.82	1.33	1.43	1.43	4.40	6.00	7.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	16.67
Ukraine	0.53	0.48	0.60	0.60	1.43	1.83	1.83	1.83	0.76	0.88	1.10	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.22	24.86
Belarus	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.30	1.26	1.73	1.83	2.00	0.37	0.52	0.55	0.60	0.05	9.09	0.08	15.38
Baltic States	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	1.36	1.70	1.50	1.50	0.21	0.27	0.24	0.24	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-11.76
Maj. Foreign Exporters	2.22	2.23	2.32	2.27	2.32	2.20	1.97	1.98	5.15	4.90	4.57	4.50	-0.07	-1.53	-0.40	-8.17
Canada	1.40	1.30	1.34	1.28	2.60	2.61	2.13	2.16	3.64	3.39	2.84	2.77	-0.07	-2.46	-0.62	-18.26
Australia	0.58	0.70	0.78	0.78	1.91	1.62	1.77	1.77	1.12	1.13	1.38	1.38	0.00	0.00	0.24	21.57
Argentina	0.24	0.23	0.21	0.21	1.65	1.61	1.67	1.67	0.40	0.38	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-6.67
Other Foreign	5.16	5.08	5.05	5.06	2.09	2.14	2.19	2.19	10.77	10.85	11.04	11.07	0.03	0.27	0.21	1.94
China	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
European Union	1.92	1.95	1.88	1.89	3.18	3.49	3.51	3.51	6.11	6.81	6.61	6.64	0.03	0.45	-0.17	-2.42
France	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.11	4.52	4.55	4.29	4.29	0.55	0.50	0.45	0.45	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-10.00
Germany	0.27	0.24	0.21	0.21	5.00	4.59	5.24	5.24	1.34	1.09	1.10	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.20
Italy	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	2.42	2.47	2.33	2.33	0.35	0.37	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-5.41
Finland	0.39	0.40	0.40	0.40	2.54	3.50	3.50	3.50	0.99	1.40	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sweden	0.31	0.32	0.28	0.28	3.87	4.13	4.18	4.18	1.20	1.30	1.15	1.15	0.00	0.00	-0.15	-11.54
Eastern Europe	1.15	1.10	1.09	1.09	2.20	1.80	2.13	2.13	2.54	1.97	2.32	2.32	0.00	0.00	0.35	17.55
Czech Rep.	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	3.18	2.72	3.02	3.02	0.18	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.02	11.03
Poland	0.57	0.57	0.56	0.56	2.53	1.89	2.32	2.32	1.45	1.07	1.30	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.23	21.50
Serbia	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.07	1.82	1.52	1.92	1.92	0.12	0.10	0.13	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.03	30.21
Norway	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	0.41	0.41	0.41	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Turkey	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	1.72	1.72	1.72	1.72	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	1.35	1.29	1.33	1.33	0.64	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.86	0.81	0.84	0.84	0.00	0.00	0.03	3.69

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TABLE 8
Rye Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	9.13	9.34	9.66	9.64	2.11	2.03	2.36	2.42	19.29	18.98	22.78	23.36	0.58	2.52	4.37	23.02
United States	0.16	0.12	0.10	0.10	1.81	1.78	1.72	1.72	0.28	0.21	0.18	0.18	0.00	0.00	-0.04	-16.90
Total Foreign	8.98	9.22	9.55	9.54	2.12	2.04	2.37	2.43	19.01	18.77	22.60	23.18	0.58	2.54	4.41	23.48
FSU-12	4.69	4.99	5.37	5.37	1.42	1.59	1.83	1.95	6.67	7.92	9.86	10.46	0.60	6.09	2.53	31.99
Russia	3.40	3.50	3.60	3.60	1.41	1.56	1.81	1.94	4.80	5.45	6.50	7.00	0.50	7.69	1.55	28.44
Ukraine	0.62	0.64	0.90	0.90	1.48	1.52	2.00	2.00	0.92	0.97	1.80	1.80	0.00	0.00	0.83	86.34
Belarus	0.64	0.78	0.80	0.80	1.45	1.86	1.88	2.00	0.93	1.45	1.50	1.60	0.10	6.67	0.15	10.34
Baltic States	0.24	0.25	0.25	0.25	1.65	1.57	1.67	1.67	0.39	0.39	0.41	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.02	4.59
Major Exporter																
Canada	0.17	0.12	0.10	0.10	2.29	2.26	2.20	1.90	0.39	0.26	0.22	0.19	-0.03	-13.64	-0.07	-26.92
Other Foreign	3.88	3.87	3.84	3.82	2.98	2.64	3.16	3.17	11.55	10.20	12.12	12.12	0.01	0.04	1.93	18.87
Eastern Europe	2.43	2.31	2.29	2.29	2.32	1.91	2.41	2.41	5.65	4.41	5.51	5.51	0.00	0.00	1.10	24.95
Hungary	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	2.00	2.00	2.42	2.42	0.08	0.08	0.12	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.04	51.25
Poland	2.24	2.13	2.10	2.10	2.31	1.88	2.38	2.38	5.18	4.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	24.91
Czech Rep.	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04	3.64	3.41	3.85	3.85	0.20	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.67
European Union	1.15	1.25	1.24	1.23	4.81	4.32	5.01	5.08	5.52	5.41	6.23	6.24	0.01	0.08	0.83	15.37
Denmark	0.05	0.05	0.08	0.06	4.86	5.14	4.33	5.50	0.25	0.26	0.33	0.33	0.01	1.54	0.07	25.95
France	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	4.54	4.57	4.17	4.17	0.19	0.16	0.13	0.13	0.00	0.00	-0.04	-21.88
Germany	0.75	0.84	0.82	0.82	5.79	4.93	6.13	6.13	4.33	4.15	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.85	20.37
Spain	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	1.78	2.04	2.04	2.04	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Austria	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	3.89	3.27	3.27	3.27	0.22	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sweden	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.42	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Turkey	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.12	1.10	1.03	1.04	1.04	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-4.55

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TABLE 9
Sorghum Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month			
	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02 Proj.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	2001/02 Proj.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	2001/02 Proj.	Dec.	From last month	From last year	
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	40.78	40.30	40.65	40.70	1.45	1.32	1.36	1.36	59.08	53.39	55.14	55.34	0.20	0.36	1.95	3.66
United States	3.46	3.13	3.55	3.55	4.37	3.82	3.84	3.84	15.12	11.94	13.63	13.63	0.00	0.00	1.69	14.19
Total Foreign	37.32	37.18	37.10	37.15	1.18	1.11	1.12	1.12	43.97	41.45	41.50	41.70	0.20	0.48	0.26	0.62
India	10.40	9.98	9.70	9.70	0.85	0.74	0.72	0.72	8.86	7.41	7.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	-0.41	-5.53
China	0.98	0.89	0.94	0.94	3.31	2.90	2.87	2.87	3.24	2.58	2.70	2.70	0.00	0.00	0.12	4.57
Mexico	1.97	1.83	1.93	1.93	3.24	3.11	3.21	3.21	6.39	5.70	6.20	6.20	0.00	0.00	0.50	8.77
Nigeria	6.60	6.70	6.75	6.75	1.14	1.16	1.16	1.16	7.50	7.80	7.80	7.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sudan	5.80	6.00	6.00	6.00	0.41	0.42	0.42	0.42	2.35	2.50	2.50	2.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Argentina	0.72	0.67	0.65	0.65	4.63	4.63	4.62	4.62	3.35	3.10	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	-0.10	-3.23
Australia	0.62	0.82	0.75	0.80	3.40	2.58	2.67	2.75	2.12	2.11	2.00	2.20	0.20	10.00	0.09	4.31
Ethiopia	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.91	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Colombia	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	3.00	2.83	2.83	2.83	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Venezuela	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	1.77	1.50	1.50	1.50	0.46	0.39	0.39	0.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Egypt	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	4.84	4.69	4.69	4.69	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yemen	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tanzania	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Niger	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	0.43	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.65	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Africa	0.14	0.09	0.10	0.10	2.48	1.99	2.11	2.11	0.35	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.03	14.29
Thailand	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	5.45	5.56	5.65	5.65	0.98	1.03	1.02	1.02	5.37	5.75	5.78	5.78	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.59

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TABLE 10
Rice Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield (Rough)				Production (Milled)				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.				
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT		Percent	
World	154.77	152.06	151.31	150.86	3.92	3.89	3.87	3.88	408.39	396.90	393.35	392.82	-0.52	-0.13	-4.07	-1.03
United States	1.42	1.23	1.33	1.33	6.58	7.04	7.15	7.15	6.50	5.94	6.56	6.56	0.00	0.00	0.62	10.47
Total Foreign	153.34	150.83	149.98	149.53	3.90	3.86	3.84	3.85	401.89	390.95	386.78	386.26	-0.52	-0.13	-4.69	-1.20
Major Exporters	65.23	64.68	64.45	64.20	3.05	2.98	3.06	3.06	132.06	128.30	130.93	130.53	-0.40	-0.31	2.23	1.74
Vietnam	7.66	7.49	7.45	7.45	4.14	4.14	4.19	4.19	20.93	20.47	20.60	20.60	0.00	0.00	0.13	0.62
Thailand	10.08	10.05	10.05	10.05	2.48	2.54	2.54	2.54	16.50	16.83	16.83	16.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
India	44.97	44.79	44.70	44.70	2.98	2.89	2.99	2.99	89.48	86.30	89.00	89.00	0.00	0.00	2.70	3.13
Pakistan	2.52	2.35	2.25	2.00	3.08	3.00	3.00	3.08	5.16	4.70	4.50	4.10	-0.40	-8.89	-0.60	-12.77
Major Importers	22.50	22.04	22.29	22.14	3.79	3.73	3.75	3.78	54.64	52.65	53.53	53.63	0.10	0.19	0.97	1.85
Indonesia	11.65	11.60	11.60	11.60	4.54	4.36	4.43	4.43	33.45	32.00	32.50	32.50	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.56
Brazil	3.68	3.25	3.30	3.30	3.11	3.20	3.30	3.30	7.77	7.06	7.40	7.40	0.00	0.00	0.34	4.79
European Union	0.40	0.40	0.39	0.39	6.79	6.17	6.25	6.25	1.75	1.60	1.59	1.59	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.62
Iran	0.45	0.43	0.40	0.40	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	1.20	1.13	1.07	1.07	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-5.83
Philippines	4.00	4.03	4.10	4.10	2.99	3.11	3.10	3.10	7.77	8.14	8.25	8.25	0.00	0.00	0.11	1.41
Nigeria	1.66	1.65	1.65	1.65	2.01	2.02	2.12	2.12	2.00	2.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00	0.10	5.00
Other Foreign	65.62	64.10	63.24	63.19	4.79	4.79	4.68	4.67	215.19	210.00	202.33	202.11	-0.22	-0.11	-7.89	-3.76
China	31.28	29.96	29.20	29.20	6.34	6.27	6.20	6.20	138.94	131.54	126.70	126.70	0.00	0.00	-4.84	-3.68
Burma	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	2.83	3.10	2.83	2.83	9.86	10.77	9.86	9.86	0.00	0.00	-0.91	-8.46
Bangladesh	10.71	10.90	10.90	10.90	3.23	3.35	3.17	3.17	23.07	24.36	23.00	23.00	0.00	0.00	-1.36	-5.59
Japan	1.79	1.77	1.71	1.71	6.41	6.70	6.63	6.63	8.35	8.64	8.25	8.25	0.00	0.00	-0.39	-4.47
South Korea	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.07	6.63	6.71	6.98	6.98	5.26	5.29	5.50	5.50	0.00	0.00	0.21	3.95
Egypt	0.65	0.67	0.59	0.59	8.91	8.93	8.95	8.95	3.79	3.90	3.42	3.42	0.00	0.00	-0.48	-12.26
Taiwan	0.35	0.34	0.37	0.33	5.43	5.61	5.38	5.26	1.35	1.34	1.39	1.24	-0.15	-10.76	-0.11	-7.90
FSU-12	0.46	0.35	0.31	0.31	2.86	3.05	3.05	3.05	0.86	0.69	0.62	0.62	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-9.59
Russia	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	3.59	3.26	3.26	3.26	0.39	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Australia	0.13	0.19	0.17	0.15	8.28	9.47	8.99	9.08	0.79	1.26	1.07	1.00	-0.07	-6.80	-0.26	-20.57
Others	13.17	12.85	12.93	12.93	2.68	2.66	2.68	2.68	22.93	22.21	22.52	22.52	-0.00	-0.00	0.30	1.35

TABLE 11
Total Oilseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World Total 1/	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	303.28	311.73	322.82	322.96	0.14	0.04	11.23	3.60
Total Foreign 1/	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	220.96	226.84	231.90	232.08	0.18	0.08	5.25	2.31
Copra	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.44	5.71	5.29	5.29	0.00	0.00	-0.42	-7.37
Palm Kernel	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.40	6.86	7.20	7.20	0.00	0.00	0.34	4.99
Major Oilseeds 2/ United States 2/	175.09 37.15	174.20 36.81	178.13 38.00	178.09 37.92	1.66 2.22	1.72 2.31	1.74 2.39	1.74 2.40	291.44 82.32	299.16 84.90	310.33 90.91	310.47 90.88	0.14 -0.04	0.05 -0.04	11.30 5.98	3.78 7.04
Foreign Oilseeds 2/ South America	137.94 29.34	137.39 30.31	140.13 32.38	140.17 32.41	1.52 2.32	1.56 2.52	1.57 2.47	1.57 2.49	209.12 68.03	214.26 76.45	219.41 80.13	219.59 80.83	0.18 0.70	0.08 0.87	5.33 4.38	2.49 5.73
Brazil	14.51	15.03	16.43	16.43	2.45	2.70	2.62	2.62	35.58	40.62	43.07	43.07	0.00	0.00	2.45	6.02
Argentina	12.58	12.82	13.51	13.56	2.21	2.41	2.37	2.41	27.84	30.90	31.98	32.69	0.71	2.22	1.79	5.79
Paraguay	1.40	1.57	1.55	1.53	2.22	2.28	2.31	2.33	3.10	3.59	3.58	3.57	-0.01	-0.36	-0.02	-0.56
China	24.03	26.85	27.95	27.95	1.90	1.88	1.88	1.88	45.76	50.58	52.60	52.60	0.00	0.00	2.02	3.99
India	30.37	29.24	30.49	30.49	0.73	0.71	0.81	0.80	22.28	20.73	24.58	24.40	-0.18	-0.73	3.68	17.73
European Union	6.50	5.81	5.98	5.96	2.56	2.45	2.34	2.34	16.66	14.20	14.02	13.96	-0.06	-0.45	-0.25	-1.74
France	2.26	2.01	1.98	1.98	2.94	2.78	2.48	2.48	6.64	5.59	4.92	4.92	0.00	0.00	-0.67	-11.99
Italy	0.57	0.56	0.52	0.52	2.39	2.35	2.58	2.58	1.36	1.31	1.35	1.35	0.00	0.00	0.04	2.98
Germany	1.23	1.11	1.18	1.18	3.55	3.30	3.36	3.36	4.38	3.65	3.97	3.97	0.00	0.00	0.32	8.79
Spain	1.00	0.96	1.07	1.07	0.82	1.06	1.08	1.08	0.82	1.02	1.16	1.16	0.00	0.00	0.14	13.44
United Kingdom	0.54	0.40	0.44	0.44	3.23	2.88	2.61	2.61	1.74	1.16	1.15	1.15	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.61
FSU-12	12.44	11.41	10.45	10.45	0.89	1.00	0.88	0.87	11.02	11.36	9.20	9.12	-0.08	-0.87	-2.24	-19.70
Russia	6.27	5.19	4.47	4.47	0.74	0.85	0.72	0.69	4.62	4.41	3.20	3.10	-0.10	-3.13	-1.31	-29.67
Ukraine	3.05	3.11	2.81	2.81	0.96	1.20	0.90	0.90	2.91	3.73	2.53	2.53	0.00	0.00	-1.20	-32.17
Uzbekistan	1.50	1.42	1.43	1.43	1.43	1.36	1.43	1.43	2.15	1.92	2.05	2.05	0.00	0.00	0.13	6.77
Turkmenistan	0.48	0.48	0.50	0.50	0.88	0.74	0.70	0.70	0.42	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Canada	6.65	5.94	4.93	4.93	1.76	1.67	1.41	1.36	11.70	9.94	6.96	6.71	-0.25	-3.59	-3.23	-32.52
Indonesia	1.80	1.57	1.67	1.67	1.29	1.36	1.32	1.32	2.33	2.13	2.21	2.21	0.00	0.00	0.08	3.57
Pakistan	3.49	3.44	3.60	3.60	1.25	1.16	1.08	1.08	4.38	3.99	3.90	3.90	0.00	0.00	-0.10	-2.38
Eastern Europe	4.00	3.27	2.97	2.97	1.63	1.43	1.75	1.76	6.51	4.68	5.19	5.23	0.04	0.67	0.55	11.78
Poland	0.55	0.44	0.45	0.45	2.08	2.19	2.47	2.47	1.13	0.96	1.10	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.14	14.70
Romania	1.21	1.04	0.94	0.82	1.29	0.86	1.12	1.09	1.57	0.90	1.05	0.90	-0.15	-14.35	0.00	0.00
Hungary	0.76	0.45	0.37	0.48	1.56	1.61	1.70	1.68	1.19	0.72	0.62	0.81	0.19	29.84	0.08	11.19
Turkey	1.32	1.25	1.31	1.31	1.67	1.48	1.48	1.48	2.21	1.85	1.94	1.94	0.00	0.00	0.08	4.59
Philippines	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.33	0.27	0.28	0.28	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	0.48	0.40	0.41	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.01	3.79
Others	17.65	18.01	18.10	18.13	1.01	1.00	1.01	1.01	17.75	17.94	18.25	18.27	0.02	0.11	0.34	1.88

1/ Major oilseeds plus copra and palm kernel. 2/ Individual countries and regions include soybean, cottonseed, peanut (inshell), sunflowerseed, and rapeseed.

TABLE 12
Soybean Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	71.77	75.36	78.17	78.27	2.23	2.31	2.33	2.33	159.85	174.28	182.45	182.72	0.27	0.15	8.43	4.84
United States	29.32	29.30	30.00	30.00	2.46	2.56	2.65	2.65	72.22	75.06	79.55	79.55	0.00	0.00	4.49	5.99
Total Foreign	42.46	46.06	48.17	48.27	2.06	2.15	2.14	2.14	87.63	99.23	102.90	103.17	0.27	0.26	3.94	3.97
Major Exporters																
Brazil	23.33	25.54	27.80	27.90	2.50	2.72	2.62	2.64	58.30	69.40	72.90	73.65	0.75	1.03	4.25	6.12
Argentina	13.60	13.97	15.50	15.50	2.51	2.78	2.68	2.68	34.20	38.80	41.50	41.50	0.00	0.00	2.70	6.96
Paraguay	8.58	10.32	11.00	11.10	2.47	2.64	2.55	2.59	21.20	27.20	28.00	28.75	0.75	2.68	1.55	5.70
	1.15	1.25	1.30	1.30	2.52	2.72	2.62	2.62	2.90	3.40	3.40	3.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Foreign	19.12	20.52	20.37	20.37	1.53	1.45	1.47	1.45	29.33	29.83	30.00	29.52	-0.48	-1.60	-0.31	-1.05
China	8.00	9.30	9.00	9.00	1.79	1.66	1.70	1.70	14.29	15.40	15.30	15.30	0.00	0.00	-0.10	-0.65
India	5.65	5.80	5.80	5.80	0.92	0.91	0.97	0.97	5.20	5.25	5.60	5.60	0.00	0.00	0.35	6.67
Canada	1.00	1.06	1.01	1.01	2.77	2.55	2.03	1.58	2.78	2.70	2.05	1.60	-0.45	-21.95	-1.10	-40.70
Indonesia	1.10	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.18	1.28	1.20	1.20	1.30	1.15	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.05	4.35
Eastern Europe	0.27	0.30	0.23	0.22	2.39	1.14	2.25	2.12	0.64	0.34	0.52	0.46	-0.06	-10.64	0.12	36.69
European Union	0.37	0.35	0.39	0.39	3.13	3.01	3.20	3.20	1.15	1.04	1.25	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.21	20.02
FSU-12	0.48	0.40	0.51	0.51	0.79	1.02	0.82	0.82	0.38	0.41	0.42	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.94
Russia	0.44	0.34	0.45	0.45	0.76	1.01	0.78	0.78	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.01	2.34
Ukraine	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.06	1.07	1.09	1.17	1.17	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	1.56	1.36	1.46	1.46	0.12	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.02	14.29
Thailand	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.23	1.50	1.43	1.43	1.43	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
North Korea	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Japan	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.13	1.73	1.91	1.76	1.76	0.19	0.24	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-6.38
Bolivia	0.59	0.60	0.60	0.60	2.04	1.58	1.83	1.83	1.20	0.95	1.10	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.15	15.79
South Korea	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	1.33	1.31	1.31	1.31	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Colombia	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	2.21	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.01	11.54
Others	0.84	0.97	0.97	0.98	1.46	1.46	1.42	1.43	1.23	1.41	1.37	1.40	0.02	1.82	-0.01	-0.71

TABLE 13

Cottonseed Area, Yield, and Production

World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area						Yield						Production						Change in Production							
	Prel.			2001/02 Proj.			Prel.			2001/02 Proj.			Prel.			2001/02 Proj.			From last month		From last year					
	1999/00	2000/01		Nov.	Dec.		1999/00	2000/01		Nov.	Dec.		1999/00	2000/01		Nov.	Dec.		MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent				
	Million hectares						Metric tons per hectare						Million metric tons													
World	31.35	30.96		33.24	33.09		1.05	1.08		1.10	1.10		32.93	33.41		36.52	36.26		-0.25	-0.70	2.85	8.54				
United States	5.43	5.28		5.72	5.64		1.06	1.11		1.20	1.21		5.76	5.84		6.87	6.83		-0.04	-0.54	1.00	17.04				
Total Foreign	25.92	25.68		27.52	27.45		1.05	1.07		1.08	1.07		27.16	27.57		29.65	29.43		-0.22	-0.74	1.86	6.74				
China	3.73	4.00		4.80	4.80		1.85	1.99		1.92	1.92		6.90	7.96		9.20	9.20		0.00	0.00	1.24	15.58				
FSU-12	2.49	2.41		2.47	2.47		1.20	1.13		1.20	1.21		2.99	2.73		2.97	2.99		0.02	0.67	0.27	9.83				
Uzbekistan	1.50	1.42		1.43	1.43		1.43	1.36		1.43	1.43		2.15	1.92		2.05	2.05		0.00	0.00	0.13	6.77				
Turkmenistan	0.48	0.48		0.50	0.50		0.88	0.74		0.70	0.70		0.42	0.35		0.35	0.35		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				
India	8.79	8.12		8.74	8.74		0.59	0.59		0.59	0.57		5.17	4.80		5.18	5.00		-0.18	-3.47	0.20	4.17				
Pakistan	2.92	2.93		3.15	3.15		1.31	1.19		1.10	1.10		3.82	3.48		3.48	3.48		0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.03				
Brazil	0.75	0.90		0.77	0.77		1.48	1.70		1.66	1.66		1.11	1.53		1.27	1.27		0.00	0.00	-0.26	-16.78				
Turkey	0.72	0.65		0.70	0.70		1.75	1.75		1.84	1.84		1.26	1.15		1.29	1.29		0.00	0.00	0.15	12.66				
African Franc Zone	2.23	1.96		2.34	2.34		0.63	0.62		0.69	0.69		1.40	1.21		1.62	1.62		0.00	0.00	0.41	33.53				
Australia	0.46	0.51		0.43	0.43		2.26	2.10		2.23	2.22		1.05	1.06		0.96	0.96		-0.00	-0.52	-0.11	-10.08				
Egypt	0.27	0.23		0.32	0.32		1.37	1.36		1.40	1.40		0.38	0.31		0.44	0.44		0.00	0.00	0.14	44.12				
Argentina	0.30	0.38		0.28	0.23		0.73	0.75		0.73	0.71		0.22	0.29		0.20	0.16		-0.04	-20.00	-0.13	-43.86				
Paraguay	0.20	0.30		0.22	0.20		0.62	0.52		0.63	0.63		0.12	0.16		0.14	0.13		-0.01	-9.42	-0.03	-19.35				
Greece	0.43	0.41		0.41	0.41		1.56	1.68		1.57	1.57		0.67	0.69		0.65	0.65		0.00	0.00	-0.05	-6.52				
Syria	0.24	0.27		0.26	0.26		2.62	2.74		2.71	2.71		0.64	0.74		0.71	0.71		0.00	0.00	-0.03	-4.60				
Mexico	0.15	0.08		0.10	0.10		1.51	1.65		1.58	1.58		0.23	0.13		0.15	0.15		0.00	0.00	0.02	15.38				
Iran	0.21	0.26		0.20	0.20		0.90	0.83		0.73	0.73		0.19	0.22		0.15	0.15		0.00	0.00	-0.07	-32.09				
Sudan	0.23	0.24		0.15	0.15		0.55	0.74		0.85	0.85		0.12	0.17		0.13	0.13		0.00	0.00	-0.05	-26.44				
Others	1.80	2.05		2.20	2.20		0.50	0.47		0.51	0.51		0.90	0.96		1.12	1.12		0.00	0.00	0.16	16.18				

TABLE 14
Peanut Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production	
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month	From last year
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.		
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent
World	21.48	22.43	22.50	22.51	1.35	1.39	1.50	1.50	33.72	33.72	33.72	33.72	0.00	0.00
United States	0.58	0.54	0.56	0.56	2.99	2.74	3.35	3.35	1.89	1.89	1.89	1.89	0.00	0.00
Total Foreign	20.90	21.89	21.94	21.95	1.31	1.36	1.45	1.45	31.84	31.84	31.84	31.84	0.00	0.00
China	4.27	4.86	4.90	4.90	2.96	2.97	2.96	2.96	14.50	14.44	14.50	14.50	0.00	0.00
India	8.00	8.10	8.20	8.20	0.69	0.70	0.95	0.95	7.80	5.70	7.80	7.80	0.00	0.00
Indonesia	0.68	0.65	0.65	0.65	1.50	1.50	1.54	1.54	1.00	0.97	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
Senegal	0.62	0.65	0.70	0.70	1.23	1.42	1.36	1.36	0.95	0.92	0.95	0.95	0.00	0.00
Burma	0.49	0.53	0.53	0.53	1.15	1.21	1.21	1.21	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.00	0.00
Sudan	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.00	0.00
Zaire	0.52	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.77	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.40	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.00	0.00
Argentina	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.24	1.93	1.50	1.60	1.60	0.42	0.36	0.38	0.38	0.00	0.00
Nigeria	1.20	1.21	1.22	1.22	1.21	1.21	1.22	1.22	1.45	1.47	1.49	1.49	0.00	0.00
Vietnam	0.25	0.26	0.26	0.26	1.28	1.38	1.38	1.38	0.32	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.00	0.00
South Africa	0.08	0.17	0.09	0.10	1.99	1.58	1.67	1.56	0.17	0.26	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00
Thailand	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	1.53	1.53	1.53	1.53	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00
Burkina Faso	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	1.00	1.02	1.02	1.02	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00
Brazil	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.11	1.65	1.85	1.86	1.86	0.17	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00
Central African Rep.	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	1.10	1.05	1.10	1.10	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00
Cameroon	0.32	0.42	0.34	0.34	0.30	0.24	0.32	0.32	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00
Cote d'Ivoire	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.10	1.38	1.45	1.40	1.40	0.13	0.16	0.14	0.14	0.00	0.00
Gambia	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	1.09	1.14	1.14	1.14	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.00	0.00
Others	2.84	2.87	2.88	2.89	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.91	2.58	2.61	2.63	2.63	0.00	0.00
													MMT	Percent
													0.00	0.00
													2.55	8.19
													0.41	27.35
													2.15	7.23
													0.06	0.42
													2.10	36.84
													0.03	2.67
													0.03	2.81
													0.00	0.00
													0.00	0.00
													0.00	0.00
													0.01	4.17
													0.02	1.36
													0.00	0.00
													-0.11	-42.31
													0.00	0.00
													0.00	0.00
													-0.00	-0.51
													0.01	4.76
													0.01	10.00
													0.00	0.00
													-0.02	-12.50
													0.00	0.00
													0.02	0.61

TABLE 15
Sunflowerseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	23.64	20.22	19.43	19.41	1.15	1.12	1.10	1.09	27.16	22.70	21.28	21.21	-0.07	-0.33	-1.50	-6.60
United States	1.39	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.41	1.50	1.48	1.48	1.97	1.61	1.59	1.59	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-1.12
Total Foreign	22.25	19.15	18.35	18.33	1.13	1.10	1.07	1.07	25.20	21.10	19.69	19.62	-0.07	-0.36	-1.48	-7.02
FSU-12	8.79	7.91	6.78	6.78	0.83	0.99	0.79	0.78	7.26	7.80	5.39	5.29	-0.10	-1.86	-2.52	-32.24
Russia	5.59	4.63	3.80	3.80	0.74	0.85	0.71	0.68	4.15	3.92	2.70	2.60	-0.10	-3.70	-1.32	-33.59
Ukraine	2.78	2.80	2.50	2.50	0.98	1.25	0.92	0.92	2.72	3.50	2.30	2.30	0.00	0.00	-1.20	-34.29
Argentina	3.48	1.89	2.00	2.00	1.73	1.62	1.70	1.70	6.00	3.05	3.40	3.40	0.00	0.00	0.35	11.48
European Union	2.04	1.92	2.05	2.05	1.58	1.74	1.60	1.60	3.21	3.33	3.28	3.28	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-1.53
France	0.82	0.71	0.76	0.76	2.35	2.55	2.24	2.24	1.92	1.81	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.00	-0.11	-6.23
Spain	0.84	0.84	0.94	0.94	0.69	1.02	1.01	1.01	0.58	0.85	0.95	0.95	0.00	0.00	0.10	12.03
Italy	0.26	0.26	0.23	0.23	2.00	1.89	1.96	1.96	0.52	0.50	0.45	0.45	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-9.27
Eastern Europe	2.46	1.90	1.68	1.65	1.31	1.10	1.24	1.28	3.21	2.09	2.08	2.11	0.03	1.45	0.02	0.72
Hungary	0.53	0.30	0.25	0.32	1.50	1.67	1.68	1.72	0.80	0.50	0.42	0.55	0.13	30.95	0.05	10.00
Romania	1.05	0.86	0.80	0.70	1.24	0.82	1.00	1.00	1.30	0.70	0.80	0.70	-0.10	-12.50	0.00	0.00
Yugoslavia	0.18	0.15	0.17	0.17	1.48	1.48	1.76	1.76	0.27	0.22	0.30	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.08	38.89
Bulgaria	0.52	0.45	0.33	0.33	1.10	0.93	0.94	0.94	0.57	0.42	0.31	0.31	0.00	0.00	-0.11	-26.19
Czech Rep.	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	2.25	2.25	2.00	2.00	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-4.76
China	1.14	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.58	1.17	1.58	1.58	1.80	1.40	1.90	1.90	0.00	0.00	0.50	35.71
India	2.30	2.20	2.40	2.40	0.57	0.57	0.58	0.58	1.30	1.25	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.15	12.00
Turkey	0.54	0.54	0.55	0.55	1.48	1.06	0.91	0.91	0.80	0.58	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	-0.08	-13.04
South Africa	0.40	0.52	0.63	0.64	1.38	1.22	1.25	1.24	0.55	0.64	0.79	0.79	0.00	0.00	0.16	24.41
Australia	0.12	0.07	0.11	0.11	1.23	1.01	1.10	1.10	0.15	0.07	0.12	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.05	64.29
Burma	0.32	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.59	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.19	0.27	0.27	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.67	0.56	0.51	0.52	1.10	1.12	1.12	1.12	0.74	0.63	0.57	0.57	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-8.59

TABLE 16
Rapeseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
	Prel.	2000/01	2001/02 Proj.	Dec.	Prel.	2000/01	2001/02 Proj.	Dec.	Prel.	2000/01	2001/02 Proj.	Dec.	From last month	From last year	MMT	Percent
World	26.84	25.22	24.79	24.82	1.58	1.49	1.47	1.47	42.44	37.60	36.36	36.56	0.20	0.54	0.20	-2.75
United States	0.42	0.61	0.63	0.63	1.46	1.50	1.61	1.61	0.62	0.92	1.02	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.12
Total Foreign	26.42	24.61	24.16	24.18	1.58	1.49	1.46	1.47	41.81	36.68	35.35	35.54	0.20	0.56	-1.14	-3.10
India	5.64	5.02	5.35	5.35	0.91	0.74	0.86	0.86	5.11	3.73	4.60	4.60	0.00	0.00	0.88	23.49
China	6.90	7.49	8.05	8.05	1.47	1.52	1.45	1.45	10.13	11.38	11.70	11.70	0.00	0.00	0.32	2.80
Canada	5.56	4.82	3.85	3.85	1.58	1.48	1.25	1.30	8.80	7.12	4.80	5.00	0.20	4.17	-2.12	-29.77
European Union	3.56	3.04	3.04	3.02	3.22	2.97	2.86	2.86	11.47	9.03	8.70	8.64	-0.06	-0.72	-0.39	-4.37
France	1.34	1.23	1.10	1.10	3.32	2.91	2.64	2.64	4.45	3.57	2.90	2.90	0.00	0.00	-0.67	-18.74
Germany	1.20	1.08	1.15	1.15	3.58	3.33	3.39	3.39	4.29	3.59	3.90	3.90	0.00	0.00	0.32	8.79
United Kingdom	0.54	0.40	0.44	0.44	3.23	2.88	2.61	2.61	1.74	1.16	1.15	1.15	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.61
Denmark	0.15	0.10	0.10	0.08	2.70	2.95	2.80	2.68	0.41	0.29	0.28	0.22	-0.06	-22.50	-0.08	-25.68
Sweden	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.04	2.13	2.61	2.68	2.68	0.16	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-4.35
Eastern Europe	1.27	1.07	1.06	1.11	2.10	2.09	2.44	2.40	2.65	2.25	2.60	2.66	0.06	2.31	0.41	18.33
Poland	0.55	0.44	0.45	0.45	2.08	2.19	2.47	2.47	1.13	0.96	1.10	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.14	14.70
Czech Rep.	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34	2.63	2.52	2.88	2.88	0.85	0.84	0.98	0.98	0.00	0.00	0.14	16.11
Australia	1.91	1.56	1.20	1.20	1.29	1.22	1.42	1.42	2.46	1.91	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.00	-0.20	-10.76
FSU-12	0.67	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.58	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.39	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Russia	0.25	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.55	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pakistan	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.85	0.91	0.86	0.86	0.28	0.30	0.28	0.28	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-5.72
Bangladesh	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24	1.13	1.23	1.19	1.19	0.27	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-2.38

TABLE 17
Copra, Palm Kernel, and Palm Oil Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Production				Change in Production			
	1999/00	Prel. 2000/01	2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
COPRA								
World	5.44	5.71	5.29	5.29	0.00	0.00	-0.42	-7.37
Philippines	2.35	2.50	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00	-0.40	-16.00
Indonesia	1.32	1.45	1.45	1.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
India	0.73	0.73	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-3.45
Mexico	0.19	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.04
Sri Lanka	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vietnam	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malaysia	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.57	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PALM KERNEL								
World	6.40	6.86	7.20	7.20	0.00	0.00	0.34	4.99
Malaysia	3.08	3.41	3.55	3.55	0.00	0.00	0.14	4.04
Indonesia	2.12	2.25	2.40	2.40	0.00	0.00	0.15	6.67
Nigeria	0.35	0.32	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.03	9.38
Cote d'Ivoire	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.75
Colombia	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.01	4.55
Thailand	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Zaire	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ecuador	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.01	16.67
Others	0.46	0.47	0.48	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.01	2.34
PALM OIL								
World	21.77	23.68	24.61	24.61	0.00	0.00	0.93	3.93
Malaysia	10.49	11.94	12.20	12.20	0.00	0.00	0.26	2.20
Indonesia	7.20	7.60	8.10	8.10	0.00	0.00	0.50	6.58
Nigeria	0.76	0.73	0.76	0.76	0.00	0.00	0.03	4.11
Cote d'Ivoire	0.28	0.27	0.28	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.85
Colombia	0.50	0.52	0.55	0.55	0.00	0.00	0.03	5.77
Thailand	0.71	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Zaire	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ecuador	0.24	0.25	0.30	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.06	22.45
Others	1.44	1.50	1.55	1.55	0.00	0.00	0.05	3.20

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TABLE 18

Cotton Area, Yield, and Production

World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change In Production			
	Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		Prel.		2001/02 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	1999/00	2000/01	Nov.	Dec.	MBales	Percent	MBales	Percent
	Million hectares				Kilograms per hectare				Million 480 lb. bales				MBales	Percent	MBales	Percent
World	32.34	31.90	34.26	34.06	588	604	616	614	87.35	88.51	96.87	96.00	-0.87	-0.90	7.49	8.47
United States	5.43	5.28	5.72	5.64	680	708	768	774	16.97	17.19	20.18	20.06	-0.11	-0.55	2.88	16.73
Total Foreign	26.91	26.61	28.54	28.42	570	583	585	582	70.38	71.32	76.70	75.94	-0.76	-0.99	4.62	6.48
Major Exporters	14.39	14.54	15.70	15.58	754	779	778	779	49.81	52.00	56.12	55.76	-0.36	-0.64	3.76	7.22
China	3.73	4.00	4.80	4.80	1,028	1,105	1,066	1,066	17.60	20.30	23.50	23.50	0.00	0.00	3.20	15.76
Pakistan	2.92	2.93	3.15	3.13	642	610	574	556	8.60	8.20	8.30	8.00	-0.30	-3.61	-0.20	-2.44
Sudan	0.23	0.24	0.15	0.15	232	315	363	363	0.24	0.34	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	-0.09	-26.47
Turkey	0.72	0.65	0.70	0.70	1,100	1,198	1,260	1,260	3.63	3.60	4.05	4.05	0.00	0.00	0.45	12.50
FSU-12	2.49	2.41	2.47	2.47	638	582	621	634	7.30	6.44	7.04	7.19	0.15	2.13	0.75	11.66
Uzbekistan	1.50	1.42	1.43	1.43	752	677	716	731	5.18	4.40	4.70	4.80	0.10	2.13	0.40	9.09
Turkmenistan	0.48	0.48	0.50	0.50	481	401	392	392	1.05	0.88	0.90	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.02	2.86
Other	0.52	0.52	0.54	0.54	452	489	581	601	1.07	1.16	1.44	1.49	0.05	3.48	0.32	28.02
Egypt	0.27	0.23	0.32	0.32	841	890	864	864	1.06	0.92	1.25	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.33	35.87
African Franc Zone	2.33	2.05	2.46	2.44	363	342	388	393	3.88	3.22	4.38	4.41	0.03	0.57	1.19	36.80
Southern Hemisphere	1.71	2.04	1.66	1.58	954	960	967	984	7.50	8.99	7.35	7.12	-0.24	-3.20	-1.87	-20.81
Argentina	0.30	0.38	0.28	0.23	417	421	435	435	0.57	0.74	0.55	0.45	-0.10	-18.18	-0.29	-38.78
Australia	0.46	0.51	0.43	0.42	1,623	1,595	1,570	1,555	3.46	3.70	3.10	3.00	-0.10	-3.23	-0.70	-18.92
Brazil	0.75	0.85	0.73	0.73	898	1,047	984	984	3.10	4.10	3.30	3.30	0.00	0.00	-0.80	-19.51
Paraguay	0.20	0.30	0.22	0.20	410	327	396	397	0.37	0.45	0.40	0.37	-0.04	-8.75	-0.09	-18.89
Major Importers	0.59	0.56	0.56	0.56	994	996	956	956	2.70	2.54	2.47	2.47	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-2.87
Other Foreign	11.93	11.52	12.28	12.28	326	317	321	314	17.87	16.78	18.11	17.71	-0.40	-2.21	0.94	5.59
India	8.79	8.12	8.74	8.74	302	292	304	294	12.18	10.90	12.20	11.80	-0.40	-3.28	0.90	8.26
Others	3.14	3.40	3.54	3.54	395	376	364	364	5.69	5.88	5.91	5.91	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.63

TABLE 19

The table below presents a 20-year record of the differences between the December projection and the final estimate. Using world wheat production as an example, changes between the December projection and the final estimate have averaged 4.0 million tons (0.8 percent) and ranged from -10.2 to 6.1 million tons. The December projection has been below the final 13 times and above the final 7 times.

RELIABILITY OF PRODUCTION PROJECTIONS

COMMODITY AND REGION	PROJECTION AND FINAL ESTIMATES, 1981/82 - 2000/01 1/					
	Difference		Lowest	Highest	Below	Above
	Average	Average	Difference		Final	Final
	Percent	---Million metric tons---			Number of years 2/	
WHEAT						
World	0.8	4.0	-10.2	6.1	13	7
U.S.	0.4	0.2	-1.2	0.5	10	8
Foreign	0.9	4.0	-10.3	6.3	13	7
COARSE GRAINS 3/						
World	0.9	7.1	-19.8	6.9	11	9
U.S.	1.1	2.4	-7.5	5.8	12	8
Foreign	1.2	6.8	-16.3	7.6	10	10
RICE (Milled)						
World	1.8	6.2	-16.2	4.7	16	4
U.S.	2.9	0.2	-0.3	0.5	9	9
Foreign	1.9	6.2	-16.2	4.6	16	4
SOYBEANS						
World	2.4	2.8	-6.6	3.8	12	8
U.S.	1.8	1.0	-2.7	2.1	6	14
Foreign	4.2	2.6	-7.5	2.7	11	9
			---Million 480-lb. bales---			
COTTON						
World	2.2	1.9	-6.3	4.4	9	10
U.S.	1.4	0.2	-0.5	0.4	9	10
Foreign	2.7	1.9	-6.7	4.3	8	11
UNITED STATES			-----Million bushels-----			
CORN	1.1	82	-250	159	11	8
SORGHUM	2.3	16	-53	52	10	10
BARLEY	1.3	6	-12	24	8	9
OATS	1.0	3	-18	16	7	7

1/ The final estimate for 1981/82-2000/01 is defined as the first November estimate following the marketing year.

2/ May not total 20 if projection was the same as the final.

3/ Includes corn, sorghum, barley, oats, rye, millet, and mixed grain.

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WORLD AGRICULTURAL WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

December 11, 2001



1 - UNITED STATES

Mid- to late-November storm systems largely erased autumn dryness across the southern Plains and upper Midwest, but bypassed winter wheat areas in Montana and the east-central Plains. Mostly dry weather also persisted in the East, hampering winter wheat development. In contrast, heavy rain soaked areas from the western Gulf Coast region to the lower Ohio Valley, including the Delta, flooding fields and halting fieldwork. Meanwhile in the West, a series of storms boosted topsoil moisture for winter grains and blanketed high-elevation areas with heavy snow. Although the precipitation eased long-term drought in northern California, the Great Basin, and the Northwest, reservoir supplies remained limited due to previously dry conditions dating to the spring of 2000. November temperatures were above normal nearly nationwide.

2 - SOUTH AMERICA

Across central Argentina, November rainfall was above normal but lighter than during October, generally favoring germinating summer crops and filling to maturing winter wheat. The exception was in southeastern Buenos Aires, where much-above-normal November rainfall raised concerns for filling winter wheat. Also, a drying trend in southern Cordoba slowed corn planting and reduced soil moisture supplies. By late November, winter wheat harvesting was underway in central wheat areas. Across southern Brazil, near- to above-normal November rainfall maintained adequate to abundant soil moisture for germinating soybeans, but slowed winter wheat harvesting.

3 - EUROPE

In November, near- to below-normal rainfall in England, France, and northern Spain favored well-established winter grains. Widespread precipitation maintained abundant moisture supplies in north-central and northeastern Europe. Scattered precipitation in south-central and southeastern Europe came too late to help winter grain establishment in southern Romania and Bulgaria, but helped durum wheat development in southern Italy. Cold weather caused winter grains in north-central and eastern Europe to enter dormancy.

7 - SOUTH ASIA

In November, shower activity gradually receded from eastern and southern rice areas, favoring seasonal fieldwork. Warm, dry weather elsewhere favored summer crop harvesting. Winter grain and oilseed planting was likely underway in Pakistan and northern India.

8 - EASTERN ASIA

Variable November precipitation provided some moisture for winter wheat establishment across the North China Plain. Early-December precipitation boosted moisture supplies for winter wheat approaching dormancy. Across the Yangtze Valley and southern China, November rainfall was mostly below normal, reducing moisture supplies for winter crops, but favoring late rice harvesting.

9 - SOUTHEAST ASIA

Tropical storm Lingling brought above-normal rainfall to most of the Philippines, slowing harvest activities, but increasing moisture supplies for second season crops. Lingling made landfall in south-central Vietnam, bringing heavy rains and high winds and possibly causing damage to mature rice. Near- to above-normal rainfall in Java, Indonesia increased moisture supplies for main-season rice, while below-normal rainfall decreased moisture supplies for oil palm in peninsular Malaysia.

10 - AUSTRALIA

Since early November, widespread shower activity has improved summer crop prospects and grazing conditions. However, the moisture has been untimely for maturing winter grains and oilseeds, and some delays in harvesting are likely.

11 - SOUTH AFRICA

Conditions are currently favorable for corn, sunflower, and sugarcane establishment due to frequent shower activity and seasonable temperatures.

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4 - FSU-WESTERN

In November, winter grains remained dormant in northern Russia and entered dormancy in southern Russia and Ukraine. In Russia, winter grains in most areas entered dormancy well established. In Ukraine, a lack of planting moisture in south-central and southeastern areas likely caused spotty germination and limited plant establishment, making crops more susceptible to winterkill conditions.

5 - NORTHWESTERN AFRICA

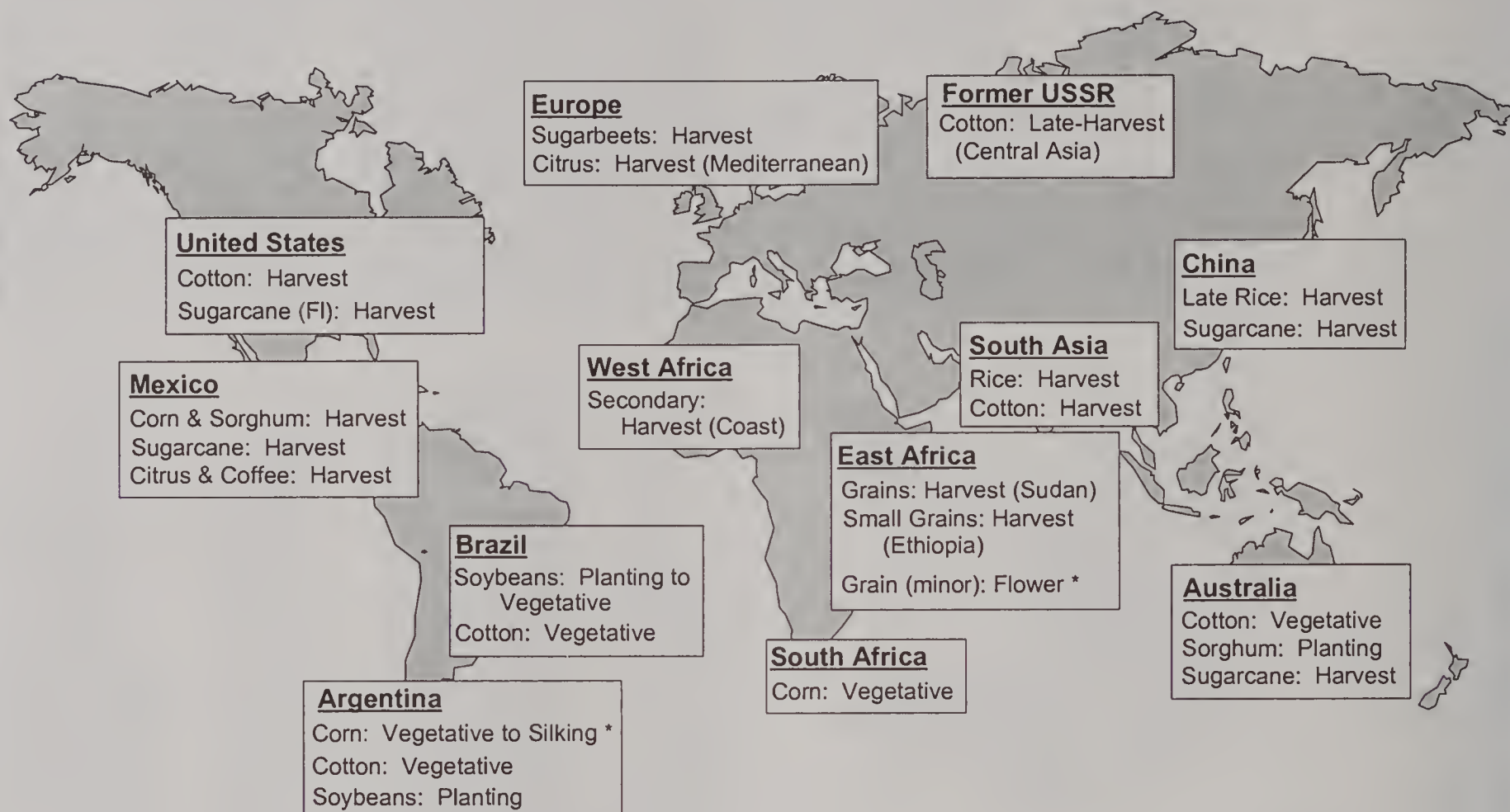
Dry weather in Morocco slowed winter grain planting, while near- to above-normal rainfall in Algeria and Tunisia favored planting and early emergence of winter grains. Planting typically continues through December.

6 - MIDDLE EAST AND TURKEY

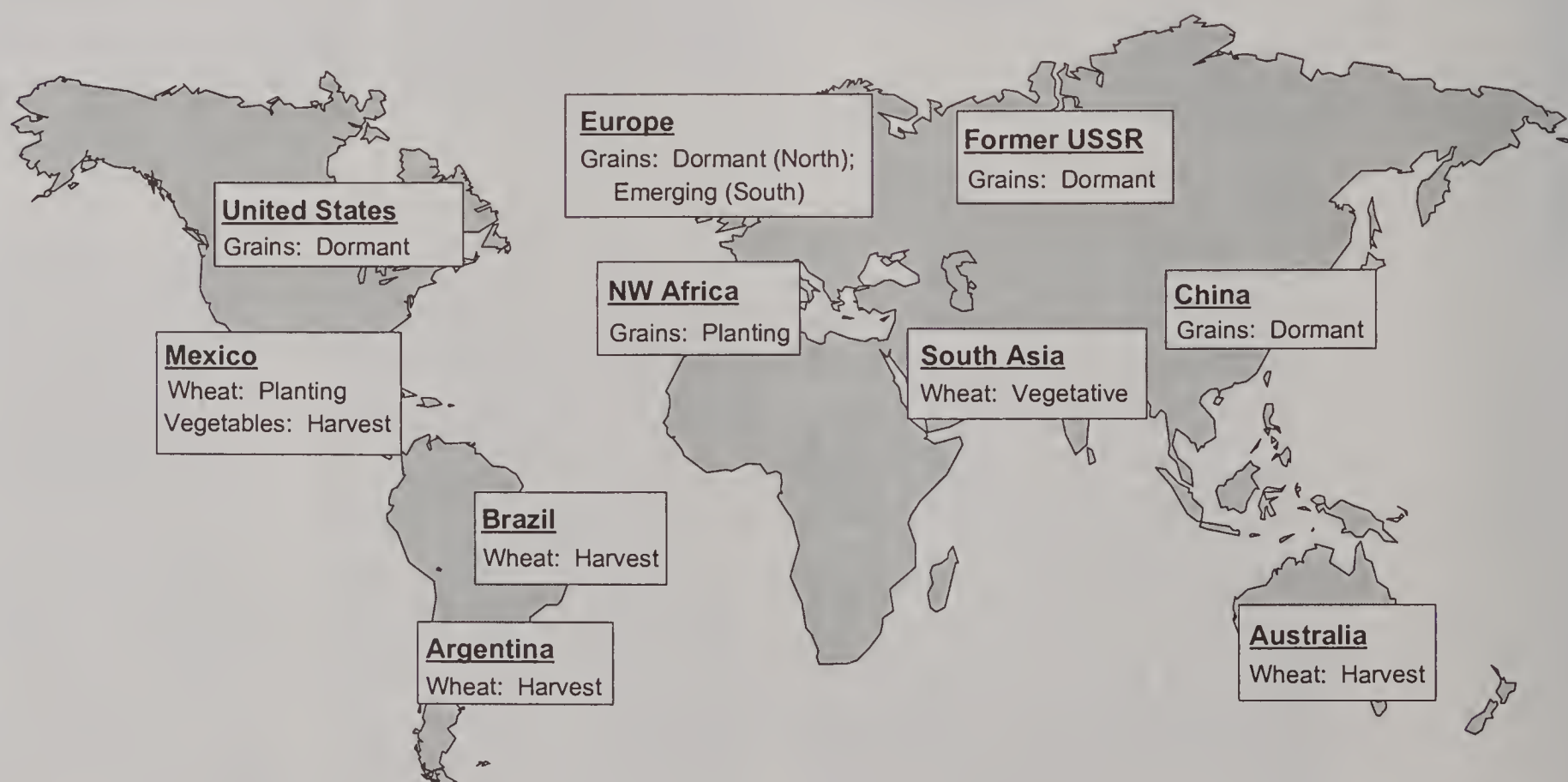
Since early November, a wet weather pattern across Turkey has increased long-term moisture levels for winter wheat but caused flooding and possible crop damage in cotton areas of the southwest. More recently, beneficial rain brought some relief from long-term drought in Iran's winter wheat areas.

December normal crop calendar

Summer crops



Winter crops

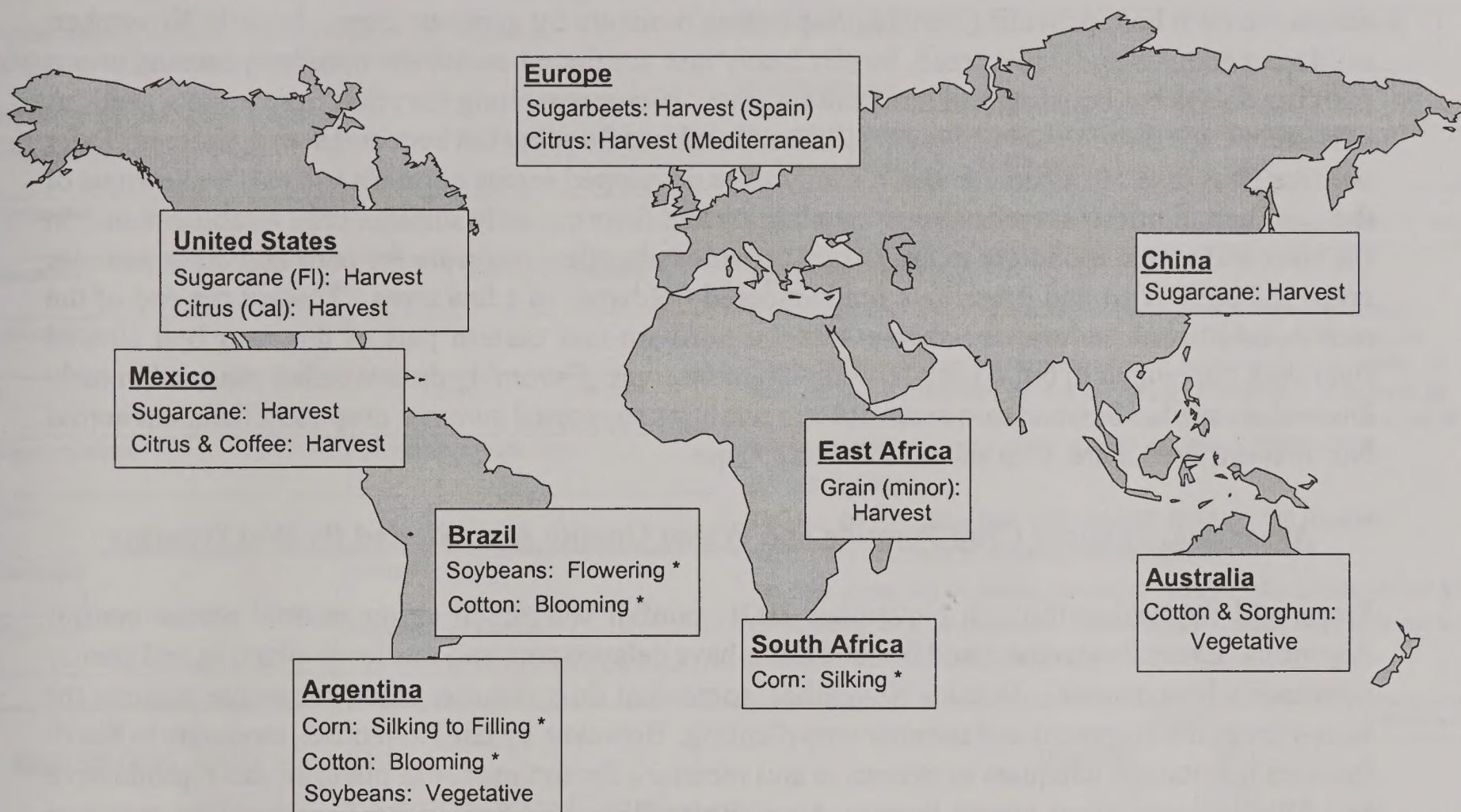


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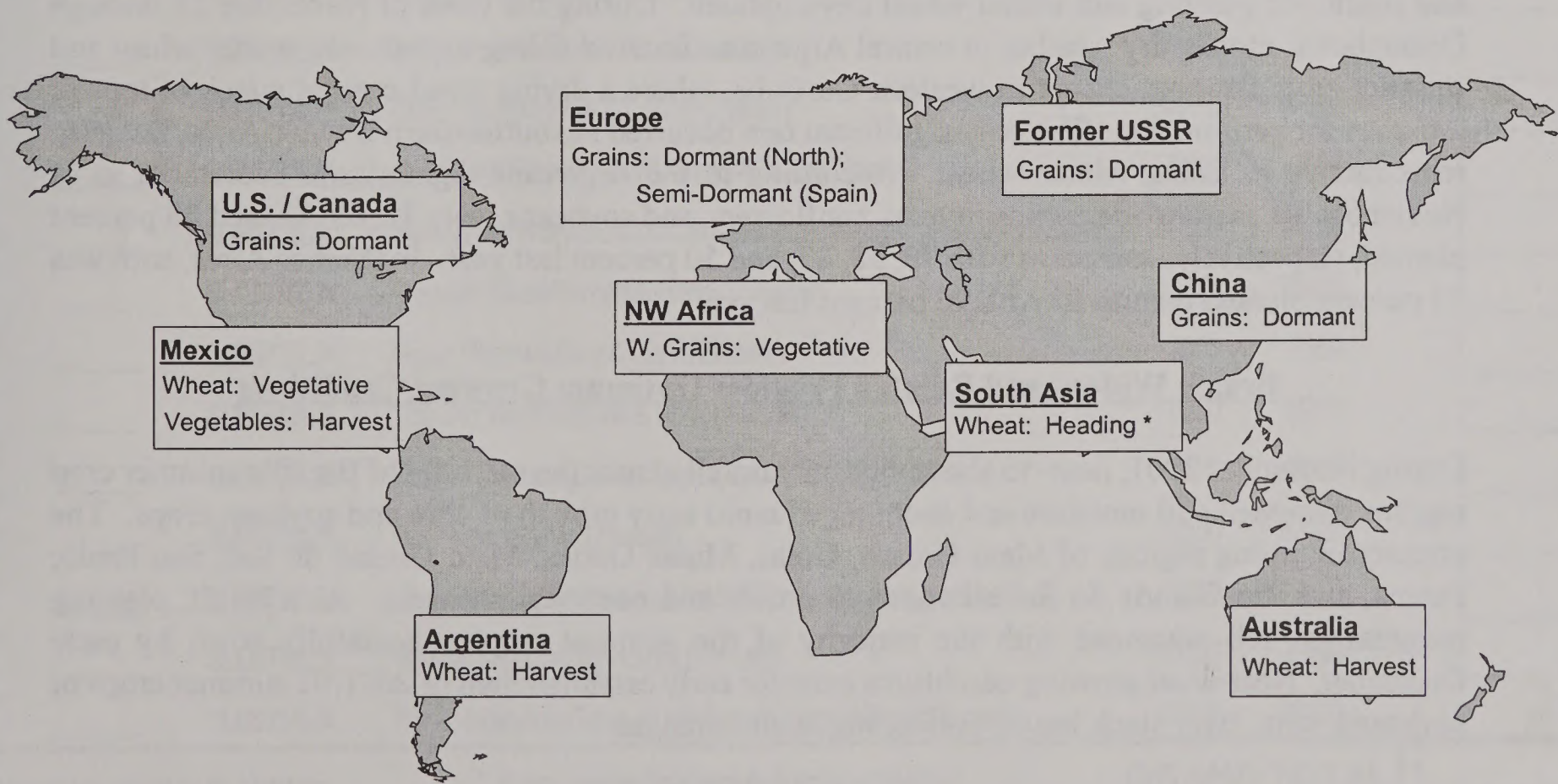
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January normal crop calendar

Summer crops



Winter crops



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WEATHER BRIEFS

South Africa: Moisture Levels Favor Summer Crop Establishment

November is the optimal sowing period for corn and many other summer crops in South Africa, although the planting window extends through December. Spring showers developed in mid-October across the corn belt, providing timely pre-planting moisture for summer crops. In early November, mild temperatures and widespread, locally heavy rain continued across the corn belt, causing minor planting delays but boosting soil moisture supplies. Heavy rain along the coast from eastern sections of Eastern Cape through KwaZulu-Natal caused localized flooding but kept crops well-watered. Drier weather (less than 10 millimeters) and sunny skies developed across northern and eastern sections of the corn belt in mid-November, spurring planting and favoring early summer crop establishment. In the west and south, moderate to heavy rain provided abundant moisture for corn and other summer crops in North West and Free State but hampered fieldwork in a few areas. Toward the end of the month, additional widespread showers in the northern and eastern part of the corn belt slowed fieldwork but helped to build long-term moisture reserves. Favorably drier weather returned in early December, while abundant rain and mild temperatures supported summer crop establishment across North West, Free State, Lesotho, and Eastern Cape.

Argentina: Summer Crop Planting and Wheat Quality Are Affected By Wet Weather

From mid-September through November 2001, rainfall was much above normal across central Argentina. Excessive wetness and flooded fields have delayed corn and sunflower planting and greatly increased wheat disease. In mid-November, somewhat drier weather eased excessive wetness for winter crops development and summer crop planting. However, by late November, moderate to heavy showers maintained adequate to excessive soil moisture for summer crop planting and reproductive and filling winter wheat across Buenos Aires, Entre Rios, and Santa Fe. The abundant moisture continued to slow corn and sunflower planting and prolonged concerns for wheat quality, especially in Buenos Aires. That week, La Pampa and Cordoba received less than 10 millimeters, favoring corn and sunflower planting and winter wheat development. During the week of November 25 through December 1, mostly dry weather in central Argentina favored filling to maturing winter wheat and summer crop planting, except in western Cordoba, where a drying trend created a lack of topsoil moisture for germination. The only significant rain occurred in southeastern Buenos Aires, favoring reproductive to filling winter wheat. According to the Argentine Agricultural Secretariat as of November 30, nationwide corn, sorghum, sunflowers, and soybeans were 72, 65, 73, and 48 percent planted, respectively, compared with 79, 58, 87, and 50 percent last year. In Buenos Aires, corn was 74 percent planted compared with 96 percent last year.

Brazil: Widespread Rainfall Provides Optimum Growing Conditions

During November 2001, near- to above-normal rainfall across the majority of Brazil's summer crop regions increased soil moisture and encouraged rapid early growth of corn and soybean crops. The primary cropping regions of Mato Grosso, Goias, Minas Gerias, Mato Grosso do Sul, Sao Paulo, Parana, and Rio Grande do Sul all received timely and bountiful showers. As a result, planting progress is well advanced with the majority of the summer crops successfully sown by early December. Near-ideal growing conditions exist for early establishment of 2001/02 summer crops of soybeans, corn, rice, black beans, coffee, sugar, and oranges.

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